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Prof. Farzad Naeim President, International Association for Earthquake Engineering (IAEE).

Dear Prof. Naeim,

Greetings from IIT Roorkee, India!

I take this opportunity to impress upon you IIT Roorkee's commitment to reducing seismic risks in India, recognizing the country's vulnerability to earthquakes due to natural hazards and rapid urbanization. As a founding member of IAEE, the Indian Society of Earthquake Technology (ISET), headquartered at Dept. of Earthquake Engineering, IIT Roorkee, has been instrumental in advancing earthquake engineering globally since 1962. Through its quarterly journal, awards, symposia, and workshops, ISET fosters research and education, with over 2000 members nationwide and 13 local chapters.

You may be aware that the 18th WCEE is scheduled to be organized by Italy at Milan during June 30 – July 5, 2024 which is a prestigious global event in the field of Earthquake Engineering and allied areas; reiterating the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (SFDRR).

The ISET has a proven track record and has successfully organized 6th World Conference on Earthquake Engineering in 1977 at New Delhi. I am pleased to know that ISET is bidding for 19th World Conference on Earthquake Engineering (WCEE), a quadrennial event, to be held in 2028.

Looking ahead, India's participation in the 19th WCEE in 2028 aligns with its commitment to the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction. ISET's bid to host the conference reflects its dedication to advancing earthquake engineering on a global scale. With IIT Roorkee's support, ISET is poised to organize a successful 19th WCEE. Best wishes to the Society in this endeavor.

With kind regards,

(K.K. Pant)