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Earthquake Engineering Forum (EEF.26)

Актуални проблеми на сеизмичното инженерство

Contemporary Issues in Earthquake Engineering

Dates: May 17-22, 2026
Venue: UACEG, Sofia, BG
Languages: English, Bulgarian

3 year since the February 2023 earthquakes in Turkey

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7 years National Earthquake Engineering Center, UACEG
Since May 2019

Short Agenda:

Day 0 - May 17, 2026 - Sunday		
Arrival and accommodation of the international EEF.26 participants Venue: Hotel Downtown Sofia, 27 Vassil Levski Blvd., 1040 Sofia, Bulgaria		
Day 1 - May 18, 2026 - Monday		
Panel 1 – Research and Educational Workshop on topic "Computer control of experimental hardware for dynamic studies" **Participants: PhD students and young researchers**		
D&T: May 18, 2026 – 9.30 – 12.30	Venue: UACEG, NEEC – REC B067	Language: English
Lunch time 12.30-13.15 All forum participants can have lunch at the University canteen UACEG, International participants are hosted by NEEC-UACEG		
EEF.26 Opening Ceremony		
D&T: May 18, 2026 – 13.30 – 14.00	Venue: UACEG, Central Hall	Language: English
Photo of the EEF.26 participants		
D&T: May 18, 2026 – 14.00 – 14.10	Venue: UACEG, NEEC – DIP – UACEG – Central Hall	
Panel 2 – Research and Practical Seminar **“Earthquake engineering today – current challenges and open issues“** **Participants: International participants of EEF.26**		
D&T: May 18, 2026 – 14.15 – 17.30	Venue: UACEG, NEEC – REC B067	Language: English
Dinner, organized for the international participants of EEF.26 – 19.00-22.00 “Pod Lipite” restaurant, Sofia, 1 Elin Pelin str.		
Day 2 - May 19, 2026 - Tuesday		
Panel 3 – Research Conference “Innovative methods in modeling the response of structures to seismic impacts” **Co-organizer: Institute of Mechanics, Bulgarian Academy of Science** **Participants: Registered participants of the UACEG, partner organizations and international guests** **Note: Selected articles after review will be included in separate issues of the „Journal of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics“, Powered by Scopus and WoS, Journal Impact Factor 2024: 0.3**		
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Панел 4 – Дискусионен форум на тема “ Готовност на инженерната общност и обществото за реагиране и възстановяване след силно земетресение“ (преди да ни разтърси земетресението) **Panel 4 – Discussion forum on topic "Readiness of the engineering community and society for response and recovery after a major earthquake" (before the earthquake hits us)** **Съорганизатор „Фондация Лазар Радков“** **Участници – експерти от различни институции, свързани с темата** **Co-organizer "Lazar Radkov Foundation"** **Participants - experts from various institutions related to the topic**		
Д&Ч: Май 19, 2026 – 14.15 – 17.30	Място: УАСГ, Зала 224	Език: Български
Коктейл за участници и гости на дискусионния форум вкл. международни участници – 18.00 – 20.30 Кафе – УАСГ – Централно фоайе Cocktail for participants and guests of the round table including international participants – 18.00 – 20.30 Cafe – UACEG – Central Hall		
Day 3 - May 20, 2026 - Wednesday		
One-day excursion EC NEEC and international participants of EEF26 – Koprivshtitsa, Klisura Meeting point 8.30 in front of Hotel Downtown Sofia		
Day 4 - May 21, 2026 - Thursday		
Национален център по сеизмично инженерство **Ден на отворени врати** **National Earthquake Engineering Center – open day**		

Д&Ч: Май 21, 2026 – 10.00 – 14.00	Място: УАСГ, НЦСИ-ДИТ, НИОЦ Б067 и ЛЧЕДМ Б113	Език: Български
Панел 5 – Сеизмично моделиране, симулации, визуализации и експерименти – популярна образователна офлайн беседа **Участници – студенти от УАСГ и ученици от СГСАГ „Христо Ботев“** **Panel 5 – Seismic Modeling, Simulations, Visualizations and Experiments – a popular educational offline talk** **Participants – students from UACEG and the “Hristo Botev” preliminary school**		
Д&Ч: Май 21, 2026 – 14.15 – 16.00	Място: УАСГ, Зала 228	Език: Български
Day 5 - May 22, 2025 - Friday		
Departure of the international EEF.26 participants		