INTRODUCTION TO SPEAKERS

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Erleen is a partner with BuroHappold in NYC since 2009 with over 25 years of structural design experience in a range of complex projects including sports facilities, high rise, commercial residential/academic buildings. With degrees in both architecture and engineering, she values the creative approaches to design and lectures on innovation topics including BIM, steel fabrication modeling and new collaboration processes. She sits on industry boards including ATC and Beverly Willis Foundation. She was part of the NYCDoB Code committee, chairing the Steel Chapter committee. She was named a “Game Changer” in 2014 and a “Power Player” in 2016 by Sports Business J. magazine and was honored by Professional Women in Construction in 2013.

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Ayse Hortacsu is Director of Projects with ATC since 2008. She has managed 20 projects for scaling ground motions and benefits for earthquake resistant construction. She is leading the update of ATC-20 procedures for post-earthquake safety evaluation. She was named an EERI Housner Fellow in 2014 and is a Director of the Structural Eng. Assoc. of N. California (SEAoNC), where she is also a core contributor for the Structural Equity & Engagement (SE3) committee. She is the founder of Women in Structural Engineering (WiSE), a network of 400+ members globally. Prior to ATC, she was a consultant in earthquake risk and vulnerability analyses and design for blast loads. Ayse holds bachelor & master’s degrees from Stanford and is a licensed PE in California.

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