

9th Asia Conference on Earthquake Engineering (9ACEE)

Risk to Resilience: Linking Science to the People

4-6 May 2026, Kathmandu, Nepal



Organizer:



Government of Nepal
Ministry of Home Affairs

National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Authority (NDRRMA)

Singhadurbar, Kathmandu

Co-Organizers:



Nepal Academy of Science and Technology (NAST)



National Society for Earthquake Technology-Nepal (NSET)



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The 9th Asia Conference on Earthquake Engineering (9ACEE) will take place in Kathmandu, Nepal from May 4 to 6, 2026. 8th ACEE held in Taipei in November 2022 decided to organize the 9th ACEE in Nepal and the National Society for Earthquake Technology Nepal to host the next event in Kathmandu. A follow up meeting in 2025 involving senior members of ACEE and NSET confirmed the general approach and theme for the event. The meeting emphasized that 9ACEE should be able to give a distinct flavor of the excellent works in earthquake engineering, disaster risk reduction and reconstruction in Nepal and the Himalayas, on the top of reporting on the distinct progress made and lessons learned in the recent years in the entire Asia Pacific region.

The Asia Conference on Earthquake Engineering began in 2004 through the initiative of the Association of Structural Engineers of the Philippines. It was designed to provide a regional platform for researchers, academics, and practitioners to exchange knowledge and experiences in earthquake engineering. Over the years, ACEE has been held in several Asian cities including Manila, Bangkok, Cebu, and Taipei, with each edition attracting hundreds of participants and featuring a wide range of scientific contributions. The conference has steadily grown in scale and influence while complementing global events such as the World Conference on Earthquake Engineering.

9ACEE in Kathmandu aims to bring together experts from across the region to share new research findings, innovative practices, and collaborative approaches that can help reduce earthquake risk in Asia's most vulnerable communities.

Organizing Committee

Organization of 9ACEE is headed by the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Authority (NDRRMA). Nepal Academy of Science and Technology (NAST) and National Society for Earthquake Technology–Nepal (NSET) are the Co-organizers. Additionally, several other organizations - government departments, academic institutions, professional societies and research organizations. By drawing representations of national expertise in engineering, geoscience and disaster management, the Organizing Committee ensures that 9ACEE reflects Nepal's commitment to earthquake resilience engineering. Additionally, the Organizing Committee will solicit intellectual guidance from renowned national and international expertise in related fields as members of the Advisory Committee. A Technical Committee will ensure technical standards of 9ACEE.

Venue

9ACEE will take place in the historic city of Kathmandu - the political, cultural and economic capital of Nepal. Kathmandu valley also hosts several signatures of historical earthquakes that are imprinted into the several UNESCO World Heritage sites.



Participation, Papers & Conference Program

The conference is designed to bring together a diverse community of researchers, practitioners, and students from around the world. It offers a platform for presenting research, networking, and knowledge sharing across multiple disciplines.

Key Highlights:

Participants:

- Approximately 100 international participants and 200 national participants.
- Special focus on students, young researchers, and participants from South and Central Asia and the Pacific.

Technical Papers:

- Approximately 200 papers expected, covering a wide range of topics.
- Opportunities for both oral presentations and poster sessions.

Conference Program:

- 5 keynote sessions delivered by leading experts.
- Over 20 parallel technical sessions across three days.
- Site visits and Culture events

Conference Theme

Title: **Risk to Resilience: Linking Science to the People**

Theme:

- Engineering Seismology
- Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering
- Seismic Design, Evaluation, and Retrofit
- Seismic Loss and Risk Assessment
- Monitoring and Early Warning Systems
- Advanced Methods for Earthquake Simulation
- Photogrammetry and Visualization
- Post-disaster Response and Recovery
- Heritage and Traditional Structures
- Social Vulnerability and Risk
- Earthquake Risk Reduction Policies and Practices

Registration Fee

Category	Type	Early Bird (till Feb 28, 2026)	Regular	Students
International	Individual	US\$ 275	US\$ 300	US\$ 150
SAARC Countries	Individual	US\$ 150	US\$ 200	US\$ 100
Domestic	Individual	NPR 10,000	NPR 15,000	NPR 5,000
Domestic	Institutional	NPR 30,000 per participant	—	—

Important Dates

-  Pre-registration: Open ([Link](#))
-  Registration: Starts December 1, 2025
-  Abstract submission: Starts December 1, 2025 ([Link](#))
Deadline January 31, 2026
-  Second circular: February 15, 2026
-  Extended Abstract/Full paper submission: March 31, 2026
-  Final Paper submission: April 15, 2026
-  Final program circular: April 30, 2026

Conference Organizing Partners

 Asian Disaster Reduction and Response Network	 Universal Engineering & Science College (UESC)
 Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Bangkok	 International Center for Applied Sciences (ICAS)
 All India Disaster Mitigation Institute (AIDMI), Gujarat	 Nepal Geological Society (NGS)
 Disaster Preparedness Network Nepal (DPNet)	 Nepal Geographical Society
 Earthquake Safety Solutions (ESS)	 Society of Nepalese Architects (SONA)
 Institute of Engineering (IOE), Tribhuvan University	 Society of Consulting Architectural & Engineering Firms (SCAEF)
 Nepal Engineers' Association (NEA)	 Society of Transportation Engineers Nepal(SOTEN)
 Nepal Geotechnical Society (NGS)	 South Asia Alliance of Disaster Research Institutes (SAADRI), IIT Roorkee
 Structural Engineers Association Nepal (SEANep)	

Conference Host:

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