

## EXCURSION TO THE JOSEF UEF

The Josef Underground Educational Facility (Josef UEF) is a new Faculty of Civil Engineering, Czech Technical University in Prague facility which was opened in June 2007. The facility is located about 50km south of Prague amid beautiful countryside near the Slapy reservoir. The organizers of the conference are delighted to be able to offer an excursion to the facility for conference delegates. The cost of the excursion is included in the conference registration fee.

- **Day:** Sunday, 15 June
- **Time:** 1 pm – 5 pm
- **Meeting point:** in front of the main entrance to the Faculty of Civil Engineering, CTU in Prague, Thákurova 7, Prague 6
- **Fee:** free of charge for registered delegates
- **Capacity:** limited to 50 persons
- **Registration:** via [esdred.conference@andra.fr](mailto:esdred.conference@andra.fr) (by 10 May 2008)
- **NB:** the underground areas have a mean temperature of roughly 10°C so visitors should dress accordingly



The facility makes use of the former Josef exploration gallery which was excavated as part of the exploration of local gold-bearing deposits. The total length of the underground tunnels and galleries reaches almost 8km, the first 600m of which is currently available for educational and research purposes.

The Josef UEF is employed primarily for the teaching of students from the CTU and other universities. Other activities include research and cooperation on projects commissioned by the private business sector. The most significant experiment currently underway at the Josef UEF is the TIMODAZ project the aim of which is to investigate the effects of long-term thermal loading on lining stability. The experiment is being carried out in cooperation with SCK.CEN and is being funded by the EU 6th Framework Programme.

For further information on the Josef UEF please visit <http://www.uef-josef.eu/>

## VISITS TO THE CENTRE OF EXPERIMENTAL GEOTECHNICS LABORATORY

The Centre of Experimental Geotechnics, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Czech Technical University in Prague intends to organize guided visits to its laboratory during the conference. The laboratory is situated in the Faculty of Civil Engineering building. Detailed information will be available on the conference information board.