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# Electronic Transmission and Storage of Data

## – Site Investigation to Piling

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**18th June 2008 at The National Motorcycle Museum, Birmingham**

### The Event

The AGS data format for the electronic transfer of geotechnical and geoenvironmental data (known as the "AGS Format") has continued to evolve since its introduction in 1992 to meet the needs of the Construction Industry in general and the Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Industry in particular. It is now widely used throughout the UK and in many places overseas. This Conference has been convened to inform current users of the Format about the latest developments and to tell non-users of its benefits.

The meeting will give details of the numerous initiatives underway to further improve and widen the use of the Format. Of particular interest will be the **DIGGS** project to which the AGS team are making a significant contribution. This initiative, which is based in the United States, embraces the principles of the Data Dictionary developed in the UK but uses the xml language to potentially widen the use of the Format and render it suitable for use in piling, in the first instance but later to base the records of any linear construction feature.

There will be adequate discussion to enable users to air their views and concerns or even to just ask technical questions about the Format and its use. Case histories will be presented from the UK and overseas showing how the Format has enabled users to optimise the commercial advantages of easy access to the data.

The meeting will appeal not only to the technical users of the Format, but also to Civil Engineers, Geologists, Chemists and Environmental Scientists who work with geotechnical, geoenvironmental and foundation data. In particular it will be relevant to managers within companies who produce or receive data and who need to structure their methods of working around data-handling procedures and storage, creating sustainable data records for the future.

### The Venue

The venue for the conference is conveniently situated at Junction 6 of the M42, where it crosses the A45, and is one junction south the M6/M42 crossing. Birmingham International Railway Station is 5 minutes away by taxi and Birmingham Airport is some two miles distant. It is where the AGS Format was "born" in 1991. There are vast car parking facilities. Details and a location map can be found on their website at [www.nationalmotorcyclemuseum.co.uk/conference/contact.htm](http://www.nationalmotorcyclemuseum.co.uk/conference/contact.htm)

There are two hotels associated with the venue some two miles distant for those who wish to stay overnight before or after the Conference. Delegates will need to make their own arrangements for accommodation

For prices and booking details please see over

## Booking

There is an 'early bird' rate for the Conference for those booking before 12 May 2008.

Company Name:.....

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Address: .....

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Email..... Tel:..... Fax:.....

**Names of Delegates:**

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### **Booking BEFORE 12 May 2008**

**FEES:** (To include lunch and Refreshments)

AGS Member      £100 + VAT      (No.).....      £.....

Non-Member      £125 + VAT      (No.).....      £.....

Student      £50 +VAT      (No.).....      £.....

Sub Total      £.....

VAT @ 17.5%      £.....

**TOTAL      £.....**

### **Booking AFTER 12 May 2008**

**FEES:** (To include lunch and Refreshments)

AGS Member      £110 + VAT      (No.).....      £.....

Non-Member      £135 + VAT      (No.).....      £.....

Student      £60 +VAT      (No.).....      £.....

Sub Total      £.....

VAT @ 17.5%      £.....

**TOTAL      £.....**

**Our cheque for £** ..... is enclosed. (Payable to AGS), **or**

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**Please return to: AGS, Forum Court, 83 Copers Cope Road, Beckenham, Kent, BR3 1NR. Tel: 020 8658 8212;**

**Fax: 020 8663 0949**

**No refund for cancellations after end of May 2008. Substitutions can be made at anytime.**

\*An informal meal is being arranged for the evening of the Conference to be held at a nearby restaurant. Details of costs will be made available shortly.