The fourth annual CSCE Capstone competition will be held during the 2016 CSCE Annual Conference in London, ON, on June 1 – 4, 2016. This competition is open to all senior undergraduate students in an accredited Canadian civil engineering program. Each civil engineering department is invited to submit a nomination for a single entry into the competition in any specialty area of the field (Structural, Construction, Geotechnical, Geomechanics, Hydraulics and Water Resources, Transportation or Environmental Engineering), for projects completed during the 2015-2016 academic year.

The nomination will comprise a short memo from the Department Chair and a written report as normally submitted by teams of students enrolled in Capstone project courses. The memo should include the department contact, school name, project title, team members, and words of support from the Department Chair or other professors involved in the project, including why this team and project was selected to represent the school.

Submissions will be received until Monday, 25 April 2016. PLEASE EMAIL NOMINATIONS TO Charles-Darwin Annan, Chair of CSCE Student Affairs Committee, at Charles-Darwin.Annan@gci.ulaval.ca. A jury will be appointed soon after by the CSCE Student Affairs Committee based on the specialties of the nominations received. Please, ensure that you include this information in your nomination memo.

It is expected that two students from each selected team will attend the Conference and present their project in a poster session. Departments are encouraged to work with their local CSCE regions and sections in order to raise the needed funds to cover for travel and other conference expenses of their students. Student Affairs, through the support of CSCE National, will cover their Conference registration.

The poster segment of the competition will be held on the morning of Friday, June 3rd, 2016. A three member committee will evaluate each presentation. The winners will be announced at the Student Awards Luncheon of the Conference, the same day.

More details on the poster presentation:
- Maximum poster size is 42” x 42” (maximum support surface area)
- Two-minute presentation is followed by questions from the evaluation committee (3 questions by 3 judges)
- The evaluation criteria relate to the quality, style and technical content of the poster (40%); the quality and efficiency of the oral presentation (20%); and the quality of the answers provided to the judges (20%). The remaining 20% will be based on the quality of the written report.

PLEASE NOTE: The nominating department must be a CSCE Sustaining Member and the presenting students must be CSCE student members (student membership fee is FREE). In addition, the school's CSCE Student Chapter must be in good standing (i.e. Interim and Annual reports have been submitted). Please, contact the Student Affairs Committee (Charles-darwin.annan@gci.ulaval.ca) to verify the status of your program.