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The 12th World Conference on Seismic Isolation, Energy Dissipation and Active Vibration Control of Structures (12WCSI) will be held in Sochi, Russia during 20-23 September. CIB/W114 and JSSI(Japan Society of Seismic Isolation) will jointly organize the special session entitled "Harmonization of design codes for seismically isolated buildings among countries" at 12WCSI.

If you are interested in joining the session, please contact the coordinator, Taiki Saito (tsaito@kenken.go.jp) until the end of May, 2011.

(Please read the announcement: Call for papers for special session in 12WCSI.pdf)

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[2] **Technical information about Aging effect on a rubber bearing after about twenty years in use**

Rubber bearings are expected to have enough durability for several decades. An aging effect on a rubber bearing, which had been actually used in an isolated building for more than twenty years, was investigated. It led to the conclusion that a rubber bearing had a considerable durability.

(Please read the abstract: Aging Effect on RB (abstract).pdf)

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