

# Overseas Membership of the FLIP Consortium

## ■ Aim and Activities of the FLIP Consortium

The aim of the FLIP Consortium is to promote academic and engineering science through research and development on upgrading and the advanced use of the computer programs “Finite Element Analysis Program of Liquefaction Process/Response Of Soil-Structure Systems during Earthquakes” (“the FLIP ROSE® Program”) and “Finite Element Analysis Program of Liquefaction Process/Total and Updated Lagrangian Analysis Program of Liquefaction Process” (“the FLIP TULIP® Program”), thereby advancing the state-of-practice in evaluating seismic performance of social infrastructures.

The FLIP Consortium will be engaged in the following activities worldwide:

- (1) Research and development on upgrading the FLIP ROSE®, FLIP TULIP® and associated programs (collectively called “FLIP”) and promoting advanced applications thereof;
- (2) Providing FLIP and related manuals, allowing the use of FLIP within the FLIP Consortium, hosting workshops on the use of FLIP, working groups for advanced application on FLIP, and offering general technical support on the use of FLIP;
- (3) Performing analysis and investigation using FLIP; and
- (4) Other activities for achieving the aim of the FLIP Consortium.

## ■ Overseas Membership

The Overseas Member shall be overseas juridical person or individual in overseas who endorses the aim of the FLIP Consortium. Overseas subsidiaries, branches and offices of juridical persons in Japan are included in the overseas juridical persons.

The Overseas Member shall obtain the approval of the president or the director in charge of admission of Overseas Members.

※ We may refer to our international advisor for your admission to the Overseas Membership. Our international advisors are listed on [http://www.flip.or.jp/en/e\\_advisors.html](http://www.flip.or.jp/en/e_advisors.html). Please select one from them as your reference.

## ■ Rights of the Overseas Member

The Overseas Member is entitled to receive the following FLIP Member Service;

- ◆ Receive **FLIP in the load module** (the programs updated or enhanced by the one other than the FLIP Consortium or the programs which are not approved by the FLIP Consortium are not included in “FLIP”), manuals, Protection Key and related documentation. **One set (10 licenses)** of FLIP programs either in Japanese or in English will be provided. (FLIPGEN in English version is not compatible with FLIPGEN in Japanese version);
- ◆ Receive a limited, non-exclusive, non-transferable right to use FLIP within the geographical area as defined by Item 3 of Article 2 of “Overseas Membership Terms and Conditions” and the organization or individual having the Overseas Membership;
- ◆ Receive general technical support service (Q&A Service) on FLIP; and
- ◆ Participate in events of the FLIP Consortium, including workshop, seminars and Working Groups for advanced applications on FLIP in Japan (only provided in Japanese)

## ■ Admission Fee and Annual Membership Dues

The terms for the Admission Fee and Annual Membership Dues and other fees with respect to Overseas Membership shall be as follows;

<b>Admission Fee</b>	<b>2,000,000 JPY</b>
<b>Annual Membership Dues</b>	<b>300,000 JPY</b>

- (1) All import duties, taxes, withholding taxes, value added taxes, consumption taxes, charges and other additional costs (collectively, "Other Costs") are NOT included in the Admission Fee and Annual Membership Dues;
- (2) The fiscal year of the FLIP Consortium is from July 1 through June 30 of the following year ("Fiscal Year"). When an application is made after July 1 for a certain Fiscal Year, the Annual Membership Dues are 300,000 JPY and will be effective only to the end of such Fiscal Year;
- (3) The Annual Membership Dues cover the cost of Q&A Service for one person; and
- (4) The Overseas Member shall bear all Other Costs incurred in admission to or maintenance of its membership. The Overseas Member located outside Japan shall also bear all charges for shipping and handling during admission procedures.

Other fees as needed;

Additional set(s) of Programs.	1,000,000 JPY per set
Registration of additional person(s) for Q&A Service	100,000 JPY per person per year
Readmission Fee (for readmission after voluntary withdrawal from membership)	1,000,000 JPY

\*All Other Costs are NOT included in these fees.

## ■ System Requirements

OS	Microsoft® Windows® 7 or later × 64 bit (Operation check on Windows®10 confirmed)
CPU	2nd Generation Intel® Core™ i (Sandy Bridge) or later
Memory	8GB or more recommended

If you wish to become an Overseas Member, please read "**Articles of Incorporation**", "**FLIP Consortium Overseas Membership Terms and Conditions**" and "**Q&A Service Agreement**" in addition to this document, and then fill out an application web form and push "send" button. We will send you the necessary documents (Consent Form, Invoice, etc.) for your admission to the Overseas Membership.

Please be advised that it may take a few months to complete the admission procedures depending on conditions.

If you have any questions, please contact the FLIP Consortium Customer Service (e-mail: [e\\_info@flip.or.jp](mailto:info@flip.or.jp))