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Kumar Leading Indian Water Sustainability Initiative

Water sustainability is one of the greatest challenges facing the country of India. To address the problem, the Indian government has launched an initiative called the Information Technology Research Academy for Innovations in Water Resources Sustainability in India (ITRA-Water). Its goals are to educate the next generation of Indian water sustainability professionals, develop scientific and technological capacity, and lay the groundwork for sound economic and policy decisions surrounding water use. Its leader is CEE Professor Praveen Kumar. [Read more about ITRA-Water](#)

Chancellor Among Speakers at Rail Center Kickoff

Chancellor Phyllis Wise was among speakers at the kickoff meeting May 17 for the new National University Rail (NURail) Center. Funded by the U.S. Department of Transportation, NURail will focus on rail research and education to improve railroad safety, efficiency and reliability. A particular focus will be corridors in which high-speed passenger trains will share infrastructure with freight trains. [More about NURail](#)



Study Finds Cookstove Emissions Vary with Use

The smoke rising from a cookstove fills the air with the

tantalizing aroma of dinner – and a cloud of pollutants and particles that threaten both health and the environment. How families in developing countries use their cookstoves has a big effect on emissions from those stoves, and laboratory emission tests don't accurately reflect real-world operations, according to a study led by Associate Professor Tami Bond. [More about the cookstove study](#)



Paulino Receives IACM Fellows Award

Professor Glaucio Paulino has received the IACM Fellows Award 2012 from the International Association of Computational Mechanics. The award recognizes individuals with a distinguished record of research, accomplishment and publication in areas of computational mechanics. [More about Paulino's award](#)



Researchers Work to Minimize Postharvest Food Loss

The postharvest loss of staple crops around the world has global implications in areas such as food security, malnutrition, poverty, and food waste. Researchers within CEE are working with the ADM Institute for the Prevention of Postharvest Loss to develop practical strategies to combat those losses. [Read more about the project](#)



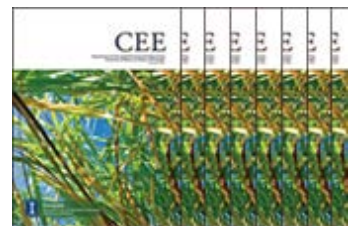
Olson Wins Huber Prize

Associate Professor Scott Olson has been selected to receive a 2012 Walter L. Huber Civil Engineering Research Prize from the American Society of Civil Engineers. [Read more about Olson](#)



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