



In memory of Pierre Rochus



Our beloved committee member and dear friend Pierre Rochus left us far too soon on February 20th 2025.

As a visionary researcher, Pierre's ground breaking contributions to materials and structures have forever changed the landscape of our field, inspiring a new era of innovation. His passion for education ignited minds, guiding numerous students and researchers towards excellence, and shaping the future of our profession.

Within our IAF Materials and Structures Committee, Pierre stood out as a beacon of collaboration, generously sharing his expertise, and enriching our collective endeavours with his unique blend of insight, dedication, and camaraderie.

On a personal note, we cherish memories of Pierre's kindness, unwavering support, and impeccable integrity. His quick wit and warm humour made every interaction a treasured experience, leaving us enriched by his presence.

Though his passing leaves an unfillable void, we take comfort in the enduring legacy of love, wisdom, and laughter he shared with us.

Our heartfelt condolences go out to his family during this difficult time.

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