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University Transportation Center for Underground Transportation Infrastructure

Learn about the $7.5 million University Transportation Center for Underground Transportation Infrastructure (UTC-UTI) at Colorado School of Mines that was recently funded by US Department of Transportation under the FAST (Fixing America’s Surface Transportation) Act. Dr. Marte Gutierrez will provide the background for the Center, its organization, the research areas it will focus on, the “real-time adaptive system” that will drive the entire research agenda of the Center and its educational, training, outreach and technology transfer activities. **Students will be provided with information on opportunities that will be available from the Center, and motivations for pursuing careers in underground transportation infrastructures.**

Dr. Marte Gutierrez is the James R. Paden Distinguished Professor at the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering of Colorado School of Mines. Formerly, he was Post-doctoral Fellow, Senior Engineer and Program Leader at the Norwegian Geotechnical Institute, and Associate Professor/Professor at Virginia Tech. He has held visiting professorship and researcher positions in China, Chile, France, Japan and South Korea and the UAE. He has been involved in several landmark and groundbreaking Civil Engineering projects while working in Norway. He is a member of the Editorial Board of four International Journals. He is the recipient of the 2011 Geotechnical Research Medal from UK’s Institute of Civil Engineers and Peter A. Cundall Honorable Mention Award. Dr. Gutierrez’s main research interests are in Geomechanics, and Energy and Environmental Sustainability.

**Wednesday, January 18**
**12:00 p.m.*
**Berthoud Hall 243

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