

## Brief Biosketch of René de Borst

René de Borst received an MSc in civil engineering and a PhD from Delft University of Technology. He has been a Distinguished Professor at the Delft University of Technology, and Dean of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering at the Eindhoven University of Technology. He has been the 10<sup>th</sup> Regius Professor of Civil Engineering and Mechanics at the University of Glasgow, and is currently the inaugural holder of the Centenary Chair of Civil Engineering at the University of Sheffield.

René de Borst is Editor-in-Chief of the International Journal for Numerical Methods in Engineering, of the International Journal for Numerical and Analytical Methods in Geomechanics, and of the Encyclopedia of Computational Mechanics.

He is recipient of the Max-Planck Research Prize, the IACM Computational Mechanics Award, the NWO Spinoza Prize, a Royal Society Wolfson Research Merit Award, the JSCES Grand Prize, and the PACM O.C. Zienkiewicz Medal. He has been inducted in the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Royal Society of Edinburgh, the European Academy of Sciences and Arts, and the Royal Academy of Engineering in London. He is an Officer in the National Order of Merit [France], and has been awarded an honorary doctorate by the Institut National des Sciences Appliquées de Lyon (INSA-LYON). He currently holds an ERC Advanced Grant on fracture in porous media.