Progress in assessing Internal Erosion

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SYNOPSIS The European Working Group on Internal Erosion presented its Interim Report at the 7th European Conference on dams in Freising in Germany in September 2007, this being the culmination of interactions which had commenced in 2004. This paper summarizes the main technical outcomes from the working group. It then comments on practical implications of progress in understanding internal erosion for dam engineering in the United Kingdom.