

PACAM IX

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The *Ninth Pan American Congress of Applied Mechanics (PACAM IX)* will be held *January 2-6, 2006* in *Mérida, Yucatán, México*.

Mérida depicts much of the splendor of Colonial Mexico. The Spanish Conquistador Francisco de Montejo founded Mérida in 1542 on the site of a former Mayan city he destroyed. Splendid regional dishes and traditional music and dances local to this region are found in restaurants, theatres and shops housed in palatial mansions along Paseo de Montejo - a boulevard fashioned after Paris' Champs Elysée. Progreso, Mérida's port city, is only 30 kilometers north. Being centrally located, Mérida is a practical hub to explore all of the splendors of the Yucatán Peninsula.

The aim of the sponsors is to promote progress in the broad field of mechanics by (1) exposing mature engineers and scientists as well as advanced graduate students to new research findings, techniques, and problems and (2) providing opportunities for personal interactions through formal presentations and informal conversations. It is the only conference sponsored by the American Academy of Mechanics.

The **Pan American Congresses of Applied Mechanics (PACAM)** are held every two years, always in a Latin American venue, at a time when few other conferences are scheduled. The previous Congresses were held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in 1989; Valparaiso, Chile in 1991; São Paulo, Brazil in 1993; Buenos Aires, Argentina in 1995; San Juan, Puerto Rico in 1997; Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in 1999, Temuco, Chile in 2002, and Havana, Cuba in 2004. Approximately 150 people from Africa, the Americas, Asia, Australia, and Europe attended the last one.

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