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[Geoscientist]

Expertise Geophysics, Rock Mechanics, Numerical simulation, Model

Generation (meshing), Scripting, Training course instructor, Visual

Basic and Python programming

Education Master of Science (Geosciences), 2021

Ruhr-Universität, Bochum, Germany

Bachelor of Science (Geosciences), 2017

Ruhr-Universität, Bochum, Germany

Professional Experience

October 2021 – Present Itasca Consultants GmbH, Gelsenkirchen, Germany

Project Engineer

Publications

Yang, H., Dahlhaus, N., and Renner, J.: On the Effect of Lateral Confinement on Rock-Cutting Tool Interactions, Rock Mechanics and Rock Engineering, https://doi.org/10.1007/s00603-024-03837-2, 2024.

Poller, A., Resele, G., Missal, C., Dahlhaus, N., and Voss, M.: Semi-analytical approach to modelling matrix diffusion in fractured media, Saf. Nucl. Waste Disposal, 2, 163–163, https://doi.org/10.5194/sand-2-163-2023, 2023.

Project Experience

Creation of meshes and modelling for a cave mining project (2021).

Development of a workflow to create open pit models and stability analyses (2021-2022).

Specialized support of BASE in safety analyses within the framework of the nuclear waste repository selection procedure (2022-2023).

Modelling of generic nuclear waste repositories based on the ERA Morsleben (2022-2023).

Training course instructor for scripting and the use of Python in FLAC3D (since 2023).

Conducting rock mechanics simulations and designs in clay and crystalline host rocks (since 2023).