



### **Mr. Shigeyoshi Tanaka**

Chairman, President and CEO, TAISEI CORPORATION

#### Reasons for the Award

Mr. Shigeyoshi Tanaka began his career as a civil engineer at a general construction company. He subsequently specialized in bridges, particularly prestressed concrete (PC) bridges, becoming one of Japan's leading engineers in this field. He was involved in both design and construction, actively introducing new overseas technologies during this time and laying the foundation for new developments in Japan's PC bridge technology. He spent 10 years in the design and construction technology field for civil engineering structures, 15 years in on-site construction, and 20 years in management roles. Most recently, he held the significant position of Chairman of TAISEI CORPORATION for two years, where he dedicated himself to solving challenges in the construction industry with his organizational management skills and outstanding leadership as a top executive. He has also actively promoted a business strategy centered on alliances with overseas construction companies. After comprehensively assessing the global situation, he has worked diligently to develop numerous overseas infrastructure projects.

Within the Japan Society of Civil Engineers (JSCE), he has served on various committees since the early 2010s, energetically contributing to the Society's development as one of the construction industry's representatives. Particularly from the perspective of a general construction company, he participated in diverse research activities including 'Construction Production Systems and Site Management', 'Technology Transfer and Human Resource Development', and 'Bidding and Contract Systems'. This contributed to the development of the construction industry while also enhancing the JSCE's presence. He served as a director in 2016 and vice president in 2020, and he assumed the position of the 111th president in June 2023, making significant contributions to Society's advancement. Notably, he established the "Special Committee for Enhancing the Appeal of Civil Engineering" as a Presidential Special Committee. By incorporating new approaches, such as utilizing social media, he successfully worked to raise the social recognition of civil engineering and improve the status of civil engineers.

Demonstrating outstanding leadership in technology, management, and academic research support, his achievements are immense from the perspectives of advancing civil engineering, developing civil engineering projects, and reaching the JSCI.

For the reasons stated above, the recipient has been deemed worthy of the Achievement Award.