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Call for Papers Special 2020 Issue  
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It is our privilege to inform you that the CIB World Building Congress (WBC) 2019 will be held in Hong Kong from 17 to 21 June 2019. The Congress is jointly hosted by the International Council for Research and Innovation in Building and Construction (CIB) and the Hong Kong Polytechnic University's Department of Building and Real Estate (BRE).

Led by the theme 'Constructing Smart Cities', the CIB World Building Congress 2019 will provide a platform to explore the evolution of smart city development and its role in society. This triennial congress will focus on 8 sub-themes:

- Smart Utilities and Facilities Management
- Smart Governance, Policy and Economy
- Smart Environment
- Smart Service
- Smart Buildings and Infrastructure
- Smart Transportation and Mobility
- Smart People and Living
- Smart Planning, Design and Construction

Parallel sessions for a number of CIB Working Commissions and Task Groups will also be held concurrently.

Building and construction industry specialists, researchers, academics and policymakers will convene in Hong Kong for the 5-day World Building Congress.

Local, regional and internationally renowned industry specialists will deliver keynote talks, case studies and dynamic presentations to reveal the latest smart building, construction and infrastructure trends, practices and developments.

The CIB World Building Congress is regarded as the leading construction research and innovation conference worldwide. Panel discussions, workshops, networking events and site tours will offer participants invaluable opportunities to interact and meet industry peers from across the globe and gain knowledge and insights into creating the smarter and more sustainable cities of the future.

#### **Paper Submissions**

The Organising Committee is working towards inviting quality submissions for the Congress. There will be two levels of vetting, firstly at the abstract submission stage and secondly, on the full papers. A 150-strong group of renowned scholars in related fields all over the world have agreed to act as Scientific Committee (SC) members undertaking the important tasks of reviewing the full papers. Acceptance of full papers will be subjected to the comments of SC reviewers being taken on board by the submitting authors.

During presentations of the accepted papers, authors may also take the precious opportunities to obtain useful feedback from the audiences, who specific parallel sessions take their special interest to attend.



The SC will nominate good quality papers for the authors' consideration of onward submission (with further amendments if they think fit) to a Special Issue as designated by the Journal and we expect the normal reviewing process of the Journal will then prevail.

### Working schedule

May 2018	Invitation for submission of abstracts
June, 2018	Confirmation of acceptance of abstract and invitation for submission of full papers
End-Sept, 2018	Deadline for submission of abstracts
Mid-Feb, 2019	Deadline for submission of full papers for review
June, 2019	Congress dates
From July, 2019	Nomination of good quality papers
Deadline Papers IBJ	November 1 <sup>st</sup> 2019
Publishing Issue IBJ	2020

### Expected Benefits to the Journal

The CIB WBC is an official highlight event gathering specialists of the construction and real estate sectors all over the world for disseminating state-of-art research and case studies. The upcoming congress theme of *Constructing the Smart Cities* is receiving much attention by both the academia and the industries, as the smart city movement proliferates in many aspects, as reflected by the sub-themes chosen carefully for the Congress by the OC.

As an esteemed journal in a related field of study and research, the publication of good quality papers arising from the Congress should fit perfectly well with the mission of your Editorial Board in light of the above contents. The SC believes (and will proactively ensure in the nomination process) that the scope of the submissions to be accepted as full papers will meet the aims and objectives of the Journal.

For the submitting authors, the Special Issue arrangement will certainly enhance their motivation to produce good quality papers. Hence, it is a win-win situation which the SC will strive to achieve.

### Request

Subject to your kind confirmation, the OC would like to inform the Special Issue arrangement on its conference website so that potential authors will be aware of it when they submit their abstracts or full papers.

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### CIB WBC 2019

More information about the World Building Congress is to be obtained [here](#).

Submitting papers for the WBC2019 can be done [here](#).

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