

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen, dear colleagues,

In 2019 – from 8 to 11 April – the World Construction Forum 2019 (WCF2019): »Buildings and Infrastructure Resilience« will be taking place in Ljubljana, Slovenia ( <https://www.wcf2019.org/> ).

A few hundred participants, practising engineers and architects, construction industry representatives, policy makers from administration bodies of all levels, researchers and scientists, university professors, teachers and students, developers and last but not least investors from all over the world are expected to participate and present and exchange their opinions about buildings and infrastructure resilience, a major challenge of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Special attention will be paid to the following themes (for the key points of the themes please see web page <https://www.wcf2019.org/forum-themes/>):

- Energy in 21<sup>st</sup> Century
- Engineering Capacity Building
- Construction 4.0
- Cultural Heritage in Digital World
- Disaster Risk Management & Governance for Resilient Communities
- Facility & Asset Management, BIM Lifecycle

There is no doubt that the WCF2019 event will be a memorable and valuable experience from professional and business points of view.

The WCF2019 Organising Committee is issuing this **Call for Abstracts**, expressing its wish to engage renowned and highly respected speakers from across the world. The deadline for abstract submission is **October 15, 2018**.

Preliminary programme can be seen at <https://www.wcf2019.org/programme/> .

For the abstract preparation, please use the attached template. Instructions for online submission are also attached to this e-mail. All submission should be uploaded at: <http://submissions.wcf2019.org/>.

Based on submitted abstracts:

- the authors of the best abstracts will be invited before the end of 2018 to prepare 15 to 20 minutes long oral presentations at WCF2019,
- other authors will be asked to prepare short video presentations to be shown at WCF2019.

All oral presentations are furthermore planned to be video-recorded and later on prepared by organizers as video lectures, combining authors' Power Point templates and videos taken at WCF2019 during their oral presentations. The video lectures and short video presentations will be one of the main outcomes of WCF2019 and will be freely available on the web after the event. The authors of oral presentations and video presentations will be asked to pay a reduced forum registration fee. Details about registration will be available on the Forum web page in summer 2018.

Furthermore, a draft of WCF2019 Declaration will be prepared as a summary of submitted abstracts, and it will be discussed inside the World Federation of Engineering Organisations (WFEO) and during WCF2019, and accepted during WCF2019 closing ceremony.

**Take advantage of these opportunities and actively contribute to the success of WCF2019!**

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at [secretariat@wcf2019.org](mailto:secretariat@wcf2019.org).

Yours faithfully,

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