Special Issue

Engineered Supplementary Cementitious Material-Based Mortar/Concrete with Enhanced Mechanical and Durability Performance

Message from the Guest Editors

With the increasing energy demand and carbon footprint from the production of cement, it is imperative to develop cement-based mixes, which are sustainable, environmentally friendly, and have enhanced engineering properties compared to conventional cement-based materials. Supplementary cementitious materials (SCMs) make a viable option as full or partial substitutes for cement clinkers. However, mixes incorporating SCMs must be engineered to produce mortar/concrete with enhanced properties even at highvolume substitution with a clear experimental description of the mechanisms involved. This Special Issue seeks to publish research findings on mortar/concrete with enhanced engineering properties with a significantly low carbon footprint through the use of SCMs (agricultural waste, industrial waste, and natural pozzolans). Keywords

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