

Special Issue

Sustainable Geopolymers and Low-Carbon Cementitious Materials for High-Performance Concrete

Message from the Guest Editors

The construction industry is under increasing pressure to address environmental challenges and reduce its carbon footprint. High-performance concrete (HPC), essential for modern infrastructure, often relies on conventional cementitious materials with significant environmental impacts. Sustainable alternatives, such as geopolymers and other low-carbon cementitious materials, offer a promising path to achieving high performance while meeting global sustainability goals. This Special Issue aims to provide a platform for state-of-the-art research on the development, characterization, and application of sustainable geopolymers and low-carbon cementitious materials in HPC. Contributions focusing on interdisciplinary approaches, innovative experimental techniques, and computational modeling are particularly encouraged. This Special Issue aspires to advance the knowledge base for sustainable, high-performance concrete technologies, fostering a transition to greener construction practices worldwide. For further reading, please follow the link to the Special Issue Website at: https://www.mdpi.com/journal/buildings/special_issues/8V07T80MF4

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