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Towards Safer Construction in Developing Countries

Message from the Guest Editors

Construction is a significant industry in both developed and developing countries. It is a major contributor of GDP, a major employer, and a major client that supports other industrial sectors. The industry also permeates society by providing essential buildings and infrastructure. Despite its significance, poor health and safety is still a major concern in the construction industry globally. Developing countries are facing unique challenges that hinder the implementation of health and safety in their construction industries. Research in this area is emerging and has become more and more important due to the rapid economic growth and the infrastructure needs in these countries. Without appropriate interventions, this growth can lead to higher human losses, an unacceptable outcome that cannot be justified by any means. This Special Issue is entitled “Towards Safer Construction in Developing Countries” because it aims to capture state-to-the-art research that is able to bridge the gap between theories and practice and to facilitate tangible improvements in construction health and safety performance in developing countries.

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