Special Issue

Mix-Design and Behavior of Special Concrete

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Reinforced concrete is the most widely structural solution all over the world, due to the huge versatility and reduced cost both for precast and in situ construction. This Special Issue aims to cover the latest developments in mix-design and behavior of new special concretes. It covers not only special concretes. such as lightweight, high and ultra-high performance, self-compacting and fiber-reinforced, alkali-activated, and geopolymer-based concretes with recycled aggregates, but primarily those combined with ecoefficient binder matrices. Those matrixes are mainly obtained by replacing the Portland cement proportions via sustainable and supplementary cementitious materials, or by developing new binder solutions with special and eco-friendly cements and clinkers, or even by alkali-activated binders. Therefore, original papers dealing with new advances and challenges in new special concretes are highly welcome, namely concerning mix-design and production, rheology, hydration, and microstructure, as well as physical, mechanical, time-dependent, and durability properties. Service life assessment, sustainability, and modeling are also invited to this Special Issue.

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