

## Special Issue

# Alkali-Activated Cements and Concretes, 2nd Edition

### Message from the Guest Editor

Concrete consisting of sand, stone, water and Portland cement is the most widely used material in the construction of modern infrastructure. Significant strides have been made in the recent past to reduce the impact of cement production by allowing for the inclusion of large volumes of cement extenders such as ground granulated blast furnace slag and fly ash. Many of the problems associated with the use of the limestone-based clinker as the primary component of the cement still need to be addressed. The aim of this Special Issue on alkali activated cement and concrete is to share the current state of knowledge on reducing the environmental impact of the cement and concrete industry through the use of alkali activation. Articles will focus on aspects including activator types and dosages, waste materials that can be activated, factors affecting the properties of alkali-activated materials, benefits and consequences of using alkali-activated cement and concrete, durability (including acid and thermal resistance), comparing short and long term material properties and environmental impact to that of other building materials currently in use.

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