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Paper Withdrawal Request

Dear members of the TransTech Publications Editorial Board, Dear Professor Dumitru NEDELCU, Ph.D., Editor-in-Chief of *Advanced Engineering Forum*

It has come to our attention that the authors of the paper "Ground settlement in urban structures exposed to geo-environmental and anthropic hazards: a case study for Galati city" by Dobrescu C., Calarasu E. and Craifaleanu I. requested that their paper be withdrawn from the Proceedings of International Conference "Towards a Sustainable Urban Environment – EBUILT 2016" to be published in Advanced Engineering Forum, vol. 21.

Given the Policy of Ethics of TransTech Publications, the proceedings editors contacted the authors of the above mentioned paper. Their reply is attached to this letter.

After careful consideration and given the *Article Withdrawal Policy: Article Retraction*, we decided to <u>ask for the retraction of the paper</u> "Ground settlement in urban structures exposed to geo-environmental and anthropic hazards: a case study for Galati city" taking into account the fact the not-sufficiently validated data could lead to erroneous interpretation of the results that could affect the good name of the publisher, EBUILT-2016 conference and the authors themselves.

We would like to congratulate the authors for their initiative and good faith and for bringing this fact to our attention.

The editors of EBUILT-2016 proceedings are fully committed to taking the responsibility and ensure that only good-quality papers with thoroughly validated results are published.

On behalf of all editors of EBUILT-2016,

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