

# Preface

2016 International Conference on Civil and Building Materials was held first time in October 15-17, 2016, in Hong Kong. This volume consists of the selected papers presented at ICCBM 2016, which are addressing diverse topics related to recent trends in area of building materials. We hope the volume will offer the readers a good opportunity to access the state-of-the-art developments and future directions of researches on building materials.

This conference covered recent trends and progresses made in the field of civil and building materials. The technical objective of this conference is to address key issues associated with science and technology in this rapidly evolving field of research and to promote contact between basic researcher and technological needs for real industrial applications.

This event is intended as a vehicle for the dissemination of research results on latest advances made in the area of civil and building materials, which gave an excellent opportunity for the scientists and researchers around the world to have a common platform to exchange their findings and to discuss the developments and make a base for starting collaborations in the national and international level. It was also aimed at promoting contacts amongst researchers and research groups for the creation of multinational thematic and research networks, as well as promoting contacts for future collaborative joint projects within some of the international funding programs.

The conference program offered invited, oral and poster presentations. The invited talks were focused on the potential application of civil and building materials in various fields of application. Among the 32 full length articles submitted to the conference, about 14 manuscripts were selected after peer review and were recommended for publication in this volume, topics cover performance test and analysis of building materials, preparation and characterization of building materials, structural engineering and architectural design.

We would like to thank the members of the conference committee, the reviewers who spared their valuable time, for their advice which have certainly helped to improve the quality, accuracy, relevance and the sincere efforts to maintain the quality of each paper selected for this conference program and volume for publication. And thank every author and participant who has contributed to the success of the conference.

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