



Engineering Disaster Prevention and Performance Improvement

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Message from the Guest Editors

Natural disasters can cause damage to engineering structures, and in severe cases, they can directly lead to structural collapse and destruction. Disaster prevention, reduction, and structural performance improvement have always been hot research topics in the field of civil engineering.

For this special issue, we invite original articles on research on disaster prevention and performance improvement of engineering structures, including but not limited to:

- *seismic resistance of bridges or other engineering structures,*
- *bridge hydrodynamics and local erosion,*
- *impact protection of engineering structures*
- *performance improvement of in-service structures.*

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Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Current urban environments are home to multi-modal transit systems, extensive energy grids, a building stock, and integrated services. Sprawling neighborhoods are composed of buildings that accommodate living and working quarters. However, it is expected that the cities and communities of the future will face complex and enormous challenges, including maintenance, interconnectivity, resilience, energy efficiency, and sustainability issues, to name but a few. A smart city uses advanced technologies and a digital infrastructure to improve the outcomes in every aspect of a city's operations. A smart building optimizes the experience of occupants, staff, and management by using a modern and connected environment. Innovations in technology that can bring dramatic improvements to design, planning, and policy are critical in developing the cities and buildings of the future.

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