

First Call

NIRD URBAN-INCERC organizes the **18th edition of the research conference on constructions, economy of buildings, architecture, urban and territorial development**

URBANISM, ARCHITECTURE AND CIVIL ENGINEERING DURING CRISIS TIMES. RESTARTING PERSPECTIVES

28 August 2020

The current COVID-19 crisis confronted the entire humanity with unprecedented challenges. The changes implemented in order to prevent the spread of the virus affected all fields, and are likely to affect the future activities. The possible restart of the epidemics implies rethinking the activities for a long period ahead. All the activities need to restart in a new way. Starting from here, the **objective** of the conference is to cause a reflection upon the challenges of urban planning, architecture, and civil engineering during the crisis times, focusing on the possible changes for the future.

The event will be organized online by the National Institute for Research and Development in Constructions, Urbanism and Sustainable Spatial Development URBAN-INCERC in Bucharest, Romania, Șos. Pantelimon nr. 266, sector 2 as an audio conference with an online display of the presentations. The delivery of presentations is limited to the registered participants. The **registration** is free of any charge and can be done **only** by the Internet form available at the following address: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1FsklBwD5Aro5wciJp0knSXnMVwZebr61nH7wR9Y888Y/viewform> **Attention!** After the registration, the browser will display a confirmation page. This is the only confirmation of your participation; no e-mail confirming the registration will be received. However, the organizers will confirm the reception of materials to be presented and/or published, notifying the corresponding author only if they are acceptable or indicating the required changes.

Taking into account that the 17th edition of the conference, scheduled for 9 April 2020, did not take place due to the restrictions aimed at stopping the spread of COVID-19, the registered participants who were supposed to deliver a presentation will be able to do it at the same time with the 18th edition, in the new conditions; they do not have to register again, but only submit their presentations (supporting text and audio) by the new deadline, **9 August 2020**. Posters must be redesigned as virtual presentations (supporting text and audio file).

Potential presenters are invited to conceive their **presentations** such that the virtual audience would be able to download a supporting text and an audio record. We recommend that the audio record to be limited to 15 minutes. The supporting texts and audio files will be displayed on the conference website, <http://conf.incd.ro/> All presenters must register and submit their presentation (supporting text and audio file) by e-mail to conferences@incd.ro no later than **9 August 2020**. **Attention!** If the file size is too large for being sent by e-mail, presentations must be submitted using a file transfer service. In this case, the participants are urged **not to** write the e-mail address conferences@incd.ro on the file transfer site as a recipient, but instead write their own address, copy it from the incoming mail, and specify it in a new message sent to conferences@incd.ro **without forwarding the e-mail** received from the file transfer website.

Taking into account that the event presumes the delivery of presentations (supporting text and audio) and publication of supporting materials (abstracts and full papers), the organizers warn potential attendants on the fact that the management of the two is done **independently**. In more details, the list of presentations that will be available on 28 August 2020 is based **exclusively** on the

online registrations and submission of materials. If authors submit articles or full papers, they are not found on the website unless the authors register them through the dedicated website and submit the supporting materials (supporting text and audio) by the deadline. Similarly, the materials submitted for publication do not use any information provided during the registration of presentations.

In addition to the supporting text and audio files, NIRD URBAN-INCERC offers attendants the chance to submit their work (abstracts and full papers) to its publications, available at <http://pub.incd.ro/>, as described below. The order of publications in the list corresponds to increasing importance and exigencies. In any case, their publication is **conditioned** by the **acceptance of reviewers** and **strict observance of guidelines**.

- **Abstracts** (written in English and Romanian by the Romanian authors and English by the foreign authors) are published in “*Conferința de cercetare în construcții, economia construcțiilor, urbanism și amenajarea teritoriului. Rezumate ale lucrărilor*” (*Research conference on constructions, economy of constructions, architecture, urbanism and territorial development. Abstract Proceedings*), Vol. 18, ISSN 2343-7537, indexed in *CiteFactor*, *Ulrich’s Web*, *ProQuest* and *Europa World of Learning / Routledge* – website: <http://pub.incd.ro/AP/index.htm>. The deadline is **2 August 2020**.
- **Full proceeding papers** are published in “*Lucrările conferinței de cercetare în construcții, economia construcțiilor, urbanism și amenajarea teritoriului*” (*Paper proceedings of the research conference on constructions, economy of constructions, architecture, urbanism and territorial development*), vol. 18, ISSN 2393-3208, indexed in *CiteFactor*, *ProQuest*, *Sherpa/RoMEO* and *Ulrich’s Periodicals Directory* – website: <http://pub.incd.ro/PP/index.htm>. The deadline is **2 August 2020**.
- **Full articles** are published in the journal *Constructions*, ISSN 1221-2709 (indexed with 31 databases and libraries) – websites: <http://constructii.incd.ro/> and <http://pub.incd.ro/C/index.htm>. The deadline is **21 August 2020**.
- **Full articles** are published in the journal *Urbanism. Architecture. Constructions*, ISSN 2069-0509 (indexed with 45 databases and 80 libraries – websites: <http://uac.incd.ro/EN/> and <http://pub.incd.ro/UAC/EN/index.htm>). The deadline is **21 August 2020**.

In order to provide each attendant a copy of the Abstract and Paper Proceedings, no submissions will be accepted for publication after the deadline. The deadlines for journals can be extended. In choosing the journal, civil engineers must account for the fact that *Constructions* requires very technical papers, with a rigorous mathematical substantiation proved by equations, and describing experimental results, while *Urbanism. Architecture. Constructions* has a broader audience and accepts more general papers, which do not necessarily include equations or experimental results. Furthermore, *Urbanism. Architecture. Constructions* requires authors a rich bibliography, including at least 25 titles, out of which 90% should be published (journal articles, books and book chapters) and at least 80% should be ISI or Scopus journal articles, and strictly enforces the observance of Author Guidelines. Along with the strict observance of the Author Guidelines, these are conditions and not recommendations; if they are not met, no article is accepted to the review process.

Guidelines

The only acceptable format for the abstracts and full papers is Word 2003 or previous (DOC). **Documents submitted in other formats (DOCX, PDF) will not be taken into consideration.** The only acceptable format for the support of presentations is Adobe Acrobat (PDF). **Documents submitted in other formats (PPT, PPTX, PPSX, PPS) will not be taken into consideration.** The only acceptable format for the audio files is MP3. **Documents submitted in other formats will not be taken into consideration.**

Published materials (abstracts, proceedings papers and articles) must meet the Author Guidelines specified on each publication's site. Non-compliance results in an automatic rejection from publication, although authors can present their work (supporting text and audio) in the conference.

Language. Romanian authors will draft their presentations and full proceedings papers in Romanian or any foreign language, abstracts in Romanian and English. Foreign attendants will write the abstracts in English, implying a permission given to the organizers for translating them in Romanian, if needed (based on the attendance), and full proceedings papers in English or French. Full journal papers will be submitted in English for all journals. Presentations will be made in Romanian, English or French.

Conference calendar

<i>Abstract & Paper Proceedings submissions</i>	<i>Registration and submission of presentations (text support and audio)</i>	<i>Journal submissions</i>	<i>Conference date</i>
2 August 2020	9 August 2020	21 August 2020	28 August 2020

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