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Prospective Authors are invited to submit Abstracts (200 to 300 words) of papers, preferably by email, and by the deadline indicated below. There are no special instructions for the preparation of abstracts, except that these should be written clearly, setting out the aims of the paper and summarising the main conclusions. Submissions are to be directed to:

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Authors will be notified of the decision on their abstracts in accordance with the time schedule indicated below. Detailed instructions for the preparation of full papers are available via the link Manuscript-Preparation Instructions. The language of communication at the Conference will be English, and all papers must be written in clear English. To ensure a high standard of presentations, all received papers will be reviewed by members of the International Advisory Board and other identified experts.

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Keynote Speakers

- K.J. Bathe, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA Challenges and Advances in the Analysis of Structures
- D.M. Frangopol, Lehigh University, USA Structural Optimization, Safety and Life-Cycle Performance
- H.N. Li, Dalian University of Technology, China Structural Vibration Control and Design for Earthquake Resistance
- K. Göppert, Schlaich Bergermann & Partners, Germany Roof Design of Stadiums for the 2010 FIFA World Cup
- F.S.K. Bijlaard, Technical University of Delft, Netherlands Eurocode Approach to the Design of Steel Joints
- M.A. Bradford, University of New South Wales, Australia Design Life of Thin-Walled Concrete Domes

Invited Speakers

- **K. Holschemacher**, Leipzig University of Applied Sciences, Germany Recent trends in the development of steel-fibre reinforced concrete
- M. Holicky, Czech Technical University in Prague, Czech Republic Probabilistic Basis of Present Codes of Practice
- K. Jarmai, University of Miskolc, Hungary Optimization of Steel Structures: Design, Fabrication and Economy
- C.A. Mota Soares, Technical University of Lisbon, Portugal Hybrid Active-Passive Laminated Structures: Modelling, Optimization and Identification
- S. Shrivastava, McGill University, Canada Plastic Buckling of Plates and Shells

- J. Loughlan, Loughborough University, United Kingdom The Mechanics of Post Local Buckling and Overall Bending Interaction in Thin-Walled Compression Members
- K. Rasmussen, University of Sydney, Australia Reliability-Based Methodology for the Design of Support Formwork Systems by Advanced Structural Analysis
- M.A. Gizejowski, Warsaw University of Technology, Poland Restrained Distortional Buckling and Postbuckling Behaviour of Steel-Concrete Composite Beams
- F. Wald, Czech Technical University in Prague, Czech Republic Fire Engineering of Steel Structures
- H.A. Mang, Vienna University of Technology, Austria Fire - Material - Structure: A Holistic Approach towards Analysis of Underground Infrastructure
- **T. Balendra,** National University of Singapore, Singapore Vulnerability of Buildings due to Far-Field Effects of Earthquakes
- H.J. Niemann, Ruhr University Bochum, Germany Dynamic Response of High-Rise Buildings to Wind Loading
- F. Bontempi, University of Rome "La Sapienza", Italy Fire-Induced Progressive Collapse in Structures
- J.J. Melcher, Brno University of Technology, Czech Republic Structural Glass: Design and Experimental Verification for Constructional Loading Actions
- K.F. Chung, Hong Kong Poytechnic University, China Structural Behaviour of Long-Span Composite Beams with Low Degree of Shear Connection
- R. Ohayon, Conservatoire National des Arts et Metiers, France Topic to be advised
- E. Fehling, University of Kassel, Germany
 Ultra High Performance Concrete Structures: Recent Developments in
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- **T. Tarnai,** Budapest University of Technology and Economics, Hungary The Dunkerley Theorem for Quadratic Eigenvalue Problems of the Theory of Elastic Stability
- A. Kaveh, Iran University of Science and Technology, Iran Applications of Graph Products in Structural Mechanics
- J.F. Chen, University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom Progressive debonding in RC beams shear-strengthened with FRP side strips
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- C. Szymczak, Gdansk University of Technology, Poland Problems of Analysis of Thin-Walled Structures: Statics, Dynamics and Sensitivity
- **D.P. Thambiratnam**, Queensland University of Technology, Australia Structural Dynamics Research and Applications
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