

Dear colleagues and friends,

we warmly wish to invite you to participate to the Special session dedicated to reinforcement and repairing of timber structures that we are organizing in the Conference SHATIS ON STRUCTURAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT OF TIMBER STRUCTURES. The international conference will be held in Guimarães, Portugal, at the Campus de Azurém, University of Minho, in the period 25-27 September 2019.

The title of the Special session is *Low invasive techniques for reinforcement and repairing of timber structural elements*. The aim is to provide a global forum for discussing recent researches and developments related to reinforcement and repairing of timber structures, with specific emphasis on low invasive techniques, matching the principle of conservation and the safety requirements together with applicability, time and cost of realization, durability.

Considering your interest and involvement in the topic we will be honoured to have your precious contribution to the success of the Special Session.

Hereafter we are providing you with the link to the web page of the Conference:

<http://shatis19.pt/>

We would like to stress that the deadline for the abstract submission is the **19 October 2018**.

The main dates for the paper submission are the following ones:

Abstract Submission Deadline	19 October 2018
Notification of Acceptance of Abstract	15 November 2018
Full Paper Final Submission	31 March 2019
Notification of Full Paper acceptance	15 June 2019
Deadline for final paper submission and extended abstract	31 July 2019

The abstract and paper submissions should follow the procedure given at the following page:

<http://shatis19.pt/index.php/submissions>

Note that submitted papers will be selected for publication in special conferences issues of the "International Journal of Architectural Heritage, Taylor & Francis" and "Buildings, MDPI", ISI Journals.

Looking forward to hearing from you, we remain at your disposal for any further information you may need.

Best regards,

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