



EDITORIAL

Structural Health Assessment of Timber Structures: Selected Papers from the SHATIS'19 Conference


The 5th International Conference on Structural Health Assessment of Timber Structures (SHATIS) was celebrated in Guimarães, Portugal, during September 25–28, 2019. The conference has been organized since 2011 with previous editions having taken place in Lisbon (Portugal), Trento (Italy), Wrocław (Poland), and Istanbul (Turkey).

The conference aims at creating an opportunity for the dissemination of state-of-art contributions on the study of timber structures among experts, authorities, and people interested in structural health assessment.

This edition was organized under seven topics “Historic timber structures”, “Codes and guidelines for assessment and interventions in existing timber structures”, “Non-destructive testing and assessment”, “Material characterization and life-cycle assessment”, “Repair, reinforcement and monitoring”, “Learning from case studies”, and “Education and future trends”.

The event was organized by the University of Minho (UM). The conference, under the chairmanship of Dr. Jorge M. Branco (chair), Hélder S. Sousa and Elisa Poletti, was a great success both in terms of organization and scientific quality.

This special issue includes a set of selected articles presented in the conference, after being significantly extended and revised by their authors. We hope that the readers will enjoy this issue and we invite all interested experts to attend the next SHATIS conference that will take place in Prague (Czech Republic) in September, 2022.

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