Special Issue

Promoting Construction Worker Professionalization under Industry 4.0

Message from the Guest Editors

As a traditional labor-intensive industry, construction is facing severe challenges from workforce aging, high turnover, labor shortages, and low skill level among construction workers. Particularly under the background of industry 4.0, the present workforce market cannot meet the needs of the future transformation development of the construction industry. This Special Issue of Buildings offers a platform for promoting construction worker professionalization under industry 4.0. We encourage researchers, practitioners, and scientists to submit original research articles, case studies, reviews, critical perspectives, and viewpoint articles on topics including, but not limited to:

- Advancements in construction worker professionalization;
- Critical factors of construction worker professionalization;
- Influence mechanisms of construction worker professionalization;
- Strategic analysis and planning of construction worker professionalization;
- Policy simulation of construction worker professionalization;
- Data-driven methods for promoting construction worker professionalization.

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