

Dear Colleagues,

We are writing to invite you to contribute to a special issue entitled "Construction Safety and Health" that will be published in the American Journal of Industrial Medicine (AJIM). The special issue is initiated by CPWR-The Center for Construction Safety and Health, ICOH-International Commission on Occupational Health, Scientific Committee on Occupational Safety and Health in the Construction Industry, and ISSA-International Social Security Association, Section of the on Prevention in the Construction Industry. It is scheduled for publication in the spring of 2024.

This initiative was created by Dr. Knut Ringen, CPWR, Professor Karl-Heinz Noetel, ISSA-Construction, and Dr. Krishna Nirmalya Sen, ICOH Scientific Committee in Construction. Dr. Xiuwen Sue Dong, Technical Advisor to CPWR, Prof. Pieter van Gelder, University of Delft, and Prof. Alberto Caban-Martinez, University of Miami, are serving as Guest Editors for this issue. Based on your expertise in this field, we think you could make an excellent contribution.

The objective of this special issue is to assess the state of knowledge about the safety and health of construction workers, showcase a broad range of research internationally, and illustrate the current developments in construction safety and health, as well as the improvements achieved in COSH over the past 30 years.

The special issue will focus on construction safety and health prevention, from the perspective of both individual health and job exposures. For example, the issue will cover topics such as injury prevention, disease prevention, musculoskeletal disorders prevention, mental stress prevention, and innovation in construction safety and health management.

Studies on future directions to address emerging issues in this industry are welcome, such as improving COSH in the developing world, migrant and temporary workers, environmental protection and sustainable construction practices, protecting the autonomy and privacy of workers in the age of technology, sensitivity to gender and multicultural needs, and mental health and well-being of construction workers and their families.

All submitted manuscripts will undergo a peer-review process. Papers should not be under consideration for publication elsewhere. Initially, the editors will review the submitted papers and may suggest changes. Once accepted by the editors, the papers will be submitted for peer review by the publication. Only papers that pass the peer review will be published.

The submission process is as follows:

- Please submit a brief abstract for consideration to Xiuwen Sue Dong [SDong@cpwr.com](mailto:SDong@cpwr.com) by June 30. Authors of accepted abstracts will be notified by July 31.
- Manuscripts must be submitted to Xiuwen Sue Dong [SDong@cpwr.com](mailto:SDong@cpwr.com) by November 30. The Guest Editors will review the manuscripts and suggest changes by January 15. Final revised manuscripts must be submitted to AJIM by February 28, 2024.

Please use "**AJIM special issue**" as the subject line of your email.

If you have questions regarding the special journal, please contact any of the editors.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

The Guest Editors