

Sustainable Built Environment Conference SBE 2016 in Hamburg, NOW: Call for Papers

Hamburg, March 30rd, 2015: Hamburg /Germany will host the Sustainable Built Environment Conference SBE16 from 8th to 11th March 2016. Under the motto Strategies, Stakeholders, Success Factors, a number of issues relevant to the future of a sustainable planned and built environment will be presented and discussed at the conference with renowned scientists from around the world.

The SBE16 Hamburg is an international conference on sustainable building and construction, which is part of the Sustainable Built Environment conference series by the International Council for Research and Innovation in Building and Construction (CIB) and the International Initiative for a Sustainable Built Environment (iiSBE).

The SBE conference series (formerly SB) is over 10 years old and is now supported by UNEP's Sustainable Building and Climate Initiative (SBCI) and the International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC). The Sustainable Built Environment series takes place in three-year intervals in several cities and has established itself as one of the most important events on this topic.

Hamburg-based ZEBAU GmbH (Center for Energy, Construction, Architecture and Environment) will host the 2016 conference in Hamburg and share responsibility for its organization with HafenCity University of Hamburg, the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, and Munich University of Applied Sciences.

The SBE16 Hamburg will be held from 8th to 11th March 2016 and is part of the SBE conference series on regional level in 2016 in preparation for the next SBE World Conference 2017 in Hong Kong.

The scientific program offers several parallel-sessions with different focal topics and especially young researchers will be addressed in special PhD-sessions. Furthermore, there will be poster presentations, workshops and innovation forums.

The main topics to be covered at Sustainable Built Environment 16 Hamburg are, among others:

- Innovative concepts of sustainability in the construction of buildings and neighborhoods
- Strategies and frameworks for sustainable urban development and construction
- Methods and tools for sustainability in the building sector
- Architecture and education: Design for sustainability
- Research and technology innovation
- Project development and best practice

The scientific program is complemented by an attractive program of events and excursions, where the conference participants will have the opportunity to network, to socialize as well as to immerge in the long history of sustainable urban development in the city of Hamburg.

Hamburg is the second largest city of Germany and located at the banks of the river Elbe. With a growing population, Hamburg faces the challenge of channelling the city's growth in a sustainable direction by densifying the existing urban areas, promoting brown field developments, and continually improving its public transportation system. For many years Hamburg has pursued policies with a strong regard for environmental issues and climate change. The city's efforts were honoured by the European Union in 2009 with the award "European Green Capital 2011".

Therefore, the city offers a wide range of interesting locations and construction projects like, for example, the urban planning project Hafencity with its innovative mixed-used buildings where also the HafenCity University, the venue of the conference, is located. The International Building Exhibition IBA Hamburg and the "Klimamodellquartiere" (Hamburg's climate neutral districts) which are spread over different locations in the city area.

The organizers of the SBE16 Hamburg are looking forward to receiving research and practice oriented contributions. The deadline for the first abstract is 30th May, 2015. The conference addresses scientists, architects, urban planners, engineers, stakeholders, the real estate sector as well as municipalities. Further details can be found at following link: www.sbe16hamburg.org

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