



an Open Access Journal by MDPI

# Geotechnical Risks in Rock Mechanics and Sustainable Infrastructures

Guest Editors:

### **Message from the Guest Editors**

Prof. Dr. Rubén Galindo

Prof. Dr. Zhigang Cao

Prof. Dr. Nihat Sinan Işık

Prof. Dr. Antonio Lara-Galera

Deadline for manuscript submissions: closed (30 September 2021) There are many geological and geotechnical risks, and the challenges of infrastructure construction in search of greater comfort, better connectivity, and more equitable distribution of resources are becoming increasingly demanding. This need for infrastructure must determine its construction in a safe and sustainable manner.

This Special Issue aims to provide a source of geotechnical hazards in rock mechanics that must be taken into account for the construction of infrastructures and that through theoretical developments, empirical studies, or real experiences help to better understand the geotechnical environment in order to identify mechanisms of breakage in the ground, risks, and potential damage, contributing to safer construction in the future. In particular, among other phenomena that affect sustainable construction can be considered: landslide, rock falls, failures and large settlements, dissolution of soluble rocks and karstification, bearing capacity of foundations, offshore foundations (e.g., the pile foundation of offshore wind turbines), rock alterability, etc.









an Open Access Journal by MDPI

## **Editor-in-Chief**

#### Prof. Dr. Marc A. Rosen

Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, University of Ontario Institute of Technology, Oshawa, ON L1G 0C5, Canada

### Message from the Editor-in-Chief

I encourage you to contribute a research or comprehensive review article for consideration for publication in Sustainability, an international Open Access journal which provides an advanced forum for research findings in areas related to sustainability and sustainable development. Sustainability publishes original research articles, review articles and communications. I am confident you will find the journal contributes to enhancing understanding of sustainability and fostering initiatives and applications of sustainability-based measures and activities.

## **Author Benefits**

**Open Access:** free for readers, with article processing charges (APC) paid by authors or their institutions.

**High Visibility:** indexed within Scopus, SCIE and SSCI (Web of Science), GEOBASE, GeoRef, Inspec, AGRIS, RePEc, CAPlus / SciFinder, and other databases.

**Journal Rank:** JCR - Q2 (*Environmental Studies*) / CiteScore - Q1 (Geography, Planning and Development)

## **Contact Us**

*Sustainability* Editorial Office MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5 4052 Basel, Switzerland Tel: +41 61 683 77 34 www.mdpi.com mdpi.com/journal/sustainability sustainability@mdpi.com X@Sus\_MDPI