**Theme**

**Vernacular Built Environments: Towards a Sustainable Future**

**Sub Themes**

* Ecologies of the Built Environments in Vernacular Settlements
* Geographical Landscapes and Riverscapes
* Materials and Resources and their Future in the Vernacular Settlements
* Vernacular Settlements and Urbanism
* Sustainability of the Human Habitat
* Methods and Technologies of Studying the Vernacular Settlements

**Abstract Submission Guidelines**

* The abstract must be between 300-500 words; must provide an introduction to the issue and its background, briefly explain the research methodologies adopted and state the conclusions derived; should not have references and must be written succinctly without colorful words.
* Should be written in plain text; do not bold or underline any words; italicize only non-English terms when used first; must not contain any HTML elements.
* Must have a minimum of 4 keywords which identify the key concepts and contexts. Capitalize the first letter of the keyword followed only by a comma.
* Must be by one author or an author and a maximum of 2 co-authors.
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* Must comprise the following: Title; sub title, names and affiliations, abstract, keywords, introduction ending with the aims and objectives, a critical review of literature related to the issue, a theoretical basis (if relevant), research methodology (don’t title as ‘materials and methods’), findings and discussion (don’t use the word ‘results’ unless you conducted a lab experiment, conclusions (list specific conclusions derived from the research; this is not concluding remarks for an essay comprised of personal opinions, review the aims and objectives and the strengths and weaknesses), acknowledgments and references.
* Must be written in English Language; pay attention to grammar, punctuation and style. Separate paragraphs when moving to a new idea or an aspect. Indent the first sentence by 2 units in the word template. Leave no spaces between paragraphs.
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