

# SOFTENING THE HABITATS

SUSTAINABLE INNOVATION IN MINIMAL MASS STRUCTURES AND LIGHTWEIGHT ARCHITECTURES

## EXTENDED CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

6<sup>th</sup> TensiNet 2019 Softening the Habitats Symposium in Milan, Italy, 3-5 June 2019.

Submit your abstract (250 words) here:

[www.eko.polimi.it/index.php/sth/TensinetSymposium](http://www.eko.polimi.it/index.php/sth/TensinetSymposium)

By Monday, October 8.

Please find attached the abstract template and the submission guidelines.

Dear colleague,

We have the pleasure to invite more contributions to the 6<sup>th</sup> TensiNet Symposium (TS19) *Softening the Habitats: Sustainable Innovation in Minimal Mass Structures and Lightweight Architectures*, which will take place from 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> June 2019, hosted by the Politecnico di Milano (PoliMi), in Milan, Italy.

The TS19 is organized by the TensiNet Association in collaboration with PoliMi and Textile Hub, an interdepartmental research laboratory on textiles and polymers at PoliMi.

The 2019 TensiNet Symposium will hold a number of academic discussions and exhibits on current innovations, trends and strategies in the field of lightweight membrane structures and future technologies, tensile and pneumatic structures, textile architecture, membranes and foils, ultra-lightweight constructions and structural skins.

Moreover, we are glad to announce that the conference proceedings will be published via Open Access e-book. A selection of the best full papers will be published on a Special Issue of the Architectural Engineering and Design Management Journal (Taylor and Francis ed.) around the Softening the Habitat Conference, after a peer-reviewed selection process by the Scientific Committee together with the Editorial Board of the Journal.

Thematic areas include:

- Soft Structures
- Softening the Environment
- Soft Skins
- Movement in Lightweight Structures
- Recently Built Structures
- Environmental Compatible Membrane Structures
- Adaptivity of Membrane-Based Structures
- Adaptivity of Transparent Foil-Based Structures

The full programme is available at: [www.tensinet2019.polimi.it](http://www.tensinet2019.polimi.it)

The normal registration can be done at: [www.eko.polimi.it/index.php/sth/TensinetSymposium](http://www.eko.polimi.it/index.php/sth/TensinetSymposium)

Our keynote speakers include: Christoph Paech (Schlaich Bergermann Partner), Julian Lienhard (dr., str.ature GmbH), Maibritt Pedersen Zari (dr., Victoria University of Wellington), Norihide Imagawa (prof., TIS&Partners), Mette Ramsgaard Thomsen (prof., Centre for IT and Architecture), Jan Knippers (prof. - ing., Institute for Building Structures and Structural Design).

This is a 3-day symposium that offers a conference and an exhibition, with fees covering all sessions, plus the planned social events. The fee structure is as follows:

- Standard: 500 €
- **Associate: 400 €** (for ISTEAM members)
- Students: 200 €

Further details can be found at [www.tensinet2019.polimi.it](http://www.tensinet2019.polimi.it)

To enquire, please email to: [tensinet2019symposium@polimi.it](mailto:tensinet2019symposium@polimi.it)

We apologize for the short period notified.

Please make sure not to miss the deadline: Monday, October 8.

Find attached the abstract template and the submission guidelines.

Kind Regards,

TensiNet Symposium 2019 Organizing Committee

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Note: If you would like to participate and showcase your work in our exhibition session or if you are interested in supporting the event by becoming an official sponsor, please get in contact with us or visit the website. For further questions, inquiries and information regarding the symposium please visit us at: [www.tensinet2019.polimi.it](http://www.tensinet2019.polimi.it)