# 5<sup>th</sup> TLC2 Week

Celebrating exemplary contributions by Prof. Surendra P. Shah





TLC2 Week is an annual event, organized in collaboration with the RILEM Association, aim at disseminating recent findings and identifying new challenges in the areas of TLC2 and resolve them through collaborations with relevant national and international stakeholders. During this week, we conduct Young Researchers' Symposium (YRS) and international workshops on TLC2 topics. In the past four editions of TLC2 Week, distinguished speakers from academia and industry presented cutting-edge research work on a variety of topics pertaining to construction materials and management.

30+ Invited speakers from 14+ countries (2022-2025)

38 Contestants from 10 countries across 3 editions of YRS







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Day Prof. Surendra P. Shah Award 2026 & 4<sup>th</sup> Young Researchers' Symposium

Days
2. 3 & 4 5<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on TLC2

# **Themes of the Workshop**

**Durability and Sustainability** 

**Low-Carbon Construction Materials** 

**Rheology and 3D Printing of Concrete** 

Computational Materials Modelling of Cementitious Systems

**Construction Project Management** 

**Acceleration & Automation of Construction** 

Technologies for Built Environment Sustainability





# Prof. Surendra P. Shah Award 2026

# 4<sup>th</sup> Young Researchers' Symposium



27th January 2026 (Tuesday) | 9 am to 5 pm IST @ IC&SR Auditorium, IIT Madras, Chennai, India

## **About the symposium**

Young Researchers' Symposium (YRS) is an international forum for senior PhD students and recent doctoral graduates to showcase their cutting-edge research outcomes in the areas of Technologies for Low-Carbon and Lean Construction (TLC2).

#### **Deadline**

Send a 200 words abstract and a 5-minute video on your PhD thesis by 30th September 2025

#### Eligibility

Participants should be senior Ph.D. students (in the final year of their thesis work) who have completed their qualifying/comprehensive exam, submitted research proposal, or recent PhD graduates who have defended their thesis in 2025. The shortlisted candidates (but not finalists) of YRS 2025 who satisfy the above criteria are also encouraged to apply for the YRS 2026.

### Themes (but not restricted to...)

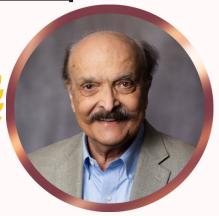
- Supplementary/alternative cementitious materials
- Identification, processing, and valorization of waste for use in concrete construction
- Service life and life cycle assessment, sustainability and carbon footprint of construction industry
- An Integrated Test-Bed for large-scale processes and visualization
- Organizational and policy research for large-scale and accelerated construction technology
- Implementing lean techniques in construction projects

#### The previous symposium featured participants from top universities, including:

- Politecnico di Milano, Italy
- University of Toronto, Canada
- Ghent University, Belgium
- University of Leeds, UK
- Monash University, Malaysia
- University of Sheffield, England
- University of Capetown, South Africa
- University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka
- Yangon Technological University, Myanmar
- Western Sydney University, Australia
- Arizona State University, USA
- Oregon State University, USA
- UPC Barcelona, Spain

**Prestigious** Prof. Surendra P. Shah Award is given to the best speaker





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Travel grant of up to EUR 2000 (Two Thousands) could be available to selected speakers travelling from outside India







Submit by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025



YRS Organizers: Mr. Dipendra K. Das, Mr. Alan Verghese Ittyeipe, Mr. Vaageesan U.

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