

To all members of INTER
International Network on
Timber Engineering Research

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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

**12th Meeting of the International Network on Timber Engineering Research (INTER)
Monday 25th August to Thursday 28th August 2025 – Istanbul, Türkiye**

Dear friends,

You are invited to attend the 2025 meeting of INTER organised by prof. Zehra Canan Girgin, Yıldız Technical University, in Istanbul, Türkiye.

The meeting will be held from **Monday 25th August to Thursday 28th August 2024**.

If you intend to present a paper during the meeting, please send an abstract (**two pages**) as soon as possible but **not later than 28th February 2025** by E-mail to sandhaas@kit.edu. There are no guidelines (template) for the format of the abstracts, but please consider the maximum of two pages.

Please ensure that your intended paper fits to the scope of the INTER group. That means that your paper should present new research results in timber engineering and should also propose new or modified application rules for design codes or standards related to timber engineering. **The relation to codes or standards should be clearly explained in the abstract.**

In view of the increasing number of abstracts received for the last INTER meetings we cannot accept numerous papers from one author or one institution dealing with the same topic. Please combine these papers.

The acceptance of abstracts will be administered by a review team. In order to find a review team, the procedure will be as follows:

- The titles of **all** incoming abstracts are published on our homepage (end of February).
- Experts may apply for the review team by sending an E-mail to sandhaas@kit.edu. They should indicate which topics (two or three) they want to review. It is important that reviewers have a broad knowledge covering these topics proven by a number of own papers within these topics.

- The chairman appoints the reviewers and they will receive a password for downloading the abstracts. Please note that the reviews should be performed within four weeks.
- The criteria for the acceptance are:
 - State of the art, literature (complete?)
 - Originality
 - (Assumed) content
 - **Relation to standards or codes**
- Each criterion is judged from 0 (bad) to 5 (very good) and this will lead to an overall grade.
- All papers will be ranked and a threshold matched to the time schedule of the meeting is chosen. In case of tight ranking around the threshold, abstracts with the higher grade in the key criterion “relation to standards or codes” will be preferred.

Important: The receipt of the abstracts will be confirmed. If you do not receive a confirmation within a few days, your abstract has not arrived. In this case please send it again or try to contact me. Finalised papers must have arrived **before 21st July 2025**. Papers arriving after that date will not be accepted for this meeting.

Technical papers for presentation at the meeting will be available prior to the meeting on our server to all members attending.

We are very much looking forward to meeting you again and discussing your research this summer.

Yours sincerely

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