

# Call for Papers

## Rail Transit Systems

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As population, economic activities, and travel demand continue to increase in many urban areas around the world, these cities have been developing alternative approaches to contend with ever-worsening traffic congestion. Some cities have decided to invest in rail transit systems, including heavy rail (subways and metros), light rail (trolleys and streetcars), and commuter (suburban) rail. The last two decades have seen many cities build entirely new rail transit systems, while others have significantly upgraded their infrastructure capacity. This special session invites papers that examine recent developments with transit systems in cities around the world, focusing on topics including ridership, financial viability and funding, management, energy and environmental impacts, future expansion, land use, and transit-oriented development.

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