



## Editorial

First, I would like to thank Editor-in-Chief very much, Prof. Guilherme Parsekian, for his invitation to write this issue's editorial of *IBRACON Structures and Materials Journal (ISMJ)*. 2022 is a year of just celebration for IBRACON (Brazilian Concrete Institute). In this June 23rd, the Institute celebrated its fifty years of important accomplishments for the Brazilian concrete community.

Among the important IBRACON's activities, the following can be cited: publication of the technical journal *Concreto & Construções*, of our scientific journal *IBRACON Structures and Materials Journal (ISMJ)* and also of a numerous list of books and other important technical publications; annually promoting the *CBC*, Brazilian Concrete Conference, the most important Brazilian technical conference of our concrete industry; active participating in elaboration the Brazilian Standards of ABNT (Brazilian Association of Technical Standards); promoting of other several activities, such as technical certification and post-graduated courses.

One of the most important missions of IBRACON is to congregate researchers, professors and concrete designers and contractors in a unique community, with a single purpose, which is of improving the quality of the concrete industry. IBRACON's journals and conferences provide a particular opportunity of join academic and professional communities.

With respect to our *IBRACON Structures and Materials Journal (ISMJ)*, of which I am proud of being part as Associated Editor, among a Pleiades of internationally recognized researchers, it should be acknowledged its impressive development in the last few years, under the enthusiastic leadership of Prof. Guilherme Parsekian. The journal publishes papers and has the formal recognition of institutions such as SCIELO – Scientific Electronics Library Online. This, on the other hand, attracts the best of our researchers for publishing the results of their work in our journal. Recently, ISMJ Journal conquered an important international position, because of the quality of the published papers.

In these fifty years, the dreams of IBRACON founders, past leaders and community members became reality, building an increasing strong and active institution.

We are certain that of every one of us, members, and admirers of IBRACON, are looking forward for our *CBC* in Brasilia, next October, meeting our friends again, from which we were sadly separated in the pandemic times.

As part of the 2022 celebrations, we announce now one more issue of our *IBRACON Structures and Materials Journal (ISMJ)*.

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