The organizing committee of CONPAT 2009 (Congress of Construction, Pathology, Quality Control, and Rehabilitation of Structures and Construction) is glad to announce the organization of its tenth version to be held in Valparaiso, Chile, between September 29th and October 2nd, 2009.

**Conference Topics**

We kindly extend the invitation to present original articles in one or more of the congress topics:

- Pathology of construction materials (materials characterization, deterioration processes, testing techniques, rehabilitation, and prevention strategies)
- Historical heritage (restoration and rehabilitation, study cases)
- Sustainability of construction (life cycle analysis, models for environmental performance evaluation, green construction, and study cases)
- Durability of construction materials (service life prediction, testing techniques, innovation for durability enhancement, standards and codes)
- Informal settlements. (innovative construction methods for social housing, informal settlements in developing countries, university-community dialogue on environmental and habitability problems, education and technology transfer for spontaneous constructors, pathologies in spontaneous construction and informal settlements)
- Construction management (project management planning, cost management, quality management, contract administration).

**Submission of Abstracts**


Best articles: a special committee will select the best articles which will be published in either Revista Ingeniería de Construcción (Scielo/CIB www.ing.puc.cl/ric) or in the first issue of RELCONPAT, the new ALCONPAT publication that will be launch during CONPAT 2009.

**Additional Information**

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