**Call for Abstracts**  
**(1st Call) SBE-ABE Symposium 2025: Urban Transition and Renewable Energies**   
**Date:** May **26-27**, 2025  
**Location:** MF01, The Library, University of Nottingham Ningbo China

Website: to be created/inserted.

The SBE Symposium 2025 invites researchers, scholars, and professionals to submit abstracts for presentations in two exciting themes. We seek innovative contributions that explore the transformation of urban environments and the adoption of renewable energy solutions. Topics may include but are not limited to sustainable urban planning, smart cities, energy-efficient technologies, and advancements in renewable energy systems.

## **Theme 1. Urban Transition**

These sub-themes reflect a broad, interdisciplinary approach to urban transition, with a focus on both the physical and digital transformations necessary for the cities of tomorrow. Submissions are invited across but not limited to:

* Urban-Rural Planning for Sustainable Futures
* Responsive Environment and Inclusive Urban Planning
* Architectural Design for Smart and Resilient Cities
* Smart Mobility and Urban Transportation
* Digital Innovation in Urban Design and Infrastructure

## **Theme 2. Renewable Energies**

These sub-themes aim to explore innovative solutions that enhance energy efficiency, reduce environmental impacts, and promote occupant well-being in the built environment, focusing on decarbonization, renewable energy, human behavior, and AI-driven innovations for sustainable, resilient built environment. Submissions are invited across but not limited to:

* Renewable Energy Systems and Integration
* Renewable Energy Systems and Building Design
* Renewable Energy Systems and AI Technologies
* Urban Energy Modeling
* Human Behaviors and Energy Efficiency

## **Keynote Speakers:**

* Prof. Soteris Kologirou, Cyprus University of Technology, Limassol, Cyprus, Editor-in-Chief of *Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews.* Editor-in-Chief Emeritus / Special Issue Editor of *Renewable Energy.*

## **Important Dates:**

* **Abstract Submission Deadline:** April 20, 2025
* **Acceptance Notice:** May 5, 2025
* **Conference Dates:** May 26-27, 2025
* **Registration Deadline:** May 15, 2025

Student Registration: FREE.

Regular Registration Fee: RMB 600.

*The registration fees cover conference costs, refreshments and lunch.*

## **Submission Guideline:**

Please submit your abstract to [SBE2025@nottingham.edu.cn](mailto:SBE2025@nottingham.edu.cn) using the provided [*template*](https://nottinghamedu1-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/g/personal/z2022097_nottingham_edu_cn/EcTdNHGB9-RPmcBleOa1hDsBVfDWpYZnTZLgv45WJUEynA?e=cYIk6u). Abstracts should not exceed 400 words.

Conference language: English.

Presentation format: Oral presentation only.

## **Publication Opportunities:**

Proposals have been submitted to the following journals and books:

* **Journal Special Issues:**
  + Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews
  + Renewable Energy
  + Journal of Urban Management
  + Intelligent Buildings International
  + Journal of Asian Architecture and Building Engineering
  + Frontiers of Urban and Rural Planning
* **Edited Book:** 
  + Springer Nature, *Urban Transition: Re-imaging Cities through Urban Planning, Architectural Design, and Digital Innovation*

Full papers for publication consideration are due by **October 20, 2025**.

(*The list of publication opportunities is continuously expanding and will be updated on the symposium website.*)

Submit your abstracts now to join an inspiring event that will shape the future of urban sustainability and renewable energies.

## **Host Institute:**

* Department of Architecture and Built Environment (ABE) & Sustainable Built Environment (SBE) Research Group, University of Nottingham Ningbo China

## **Partner Institutes:**

* Department of Urban Planning and Design (UPD), Xi’an Jiaotong – Liverpool University
* College of Architecture and Urban Planning (CAUP), Tongji University
* Pan Tianshou College of Architecture and Art Design, Ningbo University

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