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## Publisher's Note

The number of manuscripts submitted to *Cement & Concrete Composites* has been growing in recent years and this created the need to enlarge the team of Editors with a second Associate Editor.

We are very pleased to welcome Professor Obada Kayali from the University of New South Wales in Australia, until now member of the Editorial Board, as a new Associate Editor of the journal.

Obada Kayali obtained his BE in Civil Engineering from the American University of Beirut in Lebanon, his MSc in Structural Engineering from the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, and his PhD in Civil Engineering also from the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, UK. His academic career started as Assistant Professor in Civil Engineering at the University of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (1977–1978), followed by Assistant and then Associate Professor at the University of Kuwait (1978–1990). Since 1989 he has been associated, apart from a short interruption in 1991–1992, with the University of New South Wales, Australian Defence Force Academy, Canberra, Australia. At this last institution, Obada Kayali has been first Visiting Associate Professor, then Lecturer, Senior Lecturer and presently Associate Professor at the School of Engineering and Information Technology.

His research interests include sustainability of the cement and concrete industry; durability of concrete; the use of silica fume, blast furnace slag, and fly ash in concrete; lightweight concrete; fibre reinforced concrete; high strength/high performance structural concrete; geopolymers for new sustainable building materials, using nano-research in concrete science, production of concrete in hot environment, development of self compacting concrete, concrete repair, deflections in reinforced concrete structures.

Professor Kayali has co-authored three book chapters, 48 papers in refereed journals, 39 refereed conference papers and is the holder of four patents.

His numerous awards include the UNSW/ADFA Teaching Excellence Award (2000), the Barton A. Thomas Memorial Award for Excellence in the Field of Ash Research, University of Kentucky (2005), the Australian Learning and Teaching Council 2009 Citation Award for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning, The University of New South Wales Inventor of The Year Award (2010).

We wish Obada success in his editorial work on Cement & Concrete Composites.

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