

**Subject:** Abstracts submissions for ICSV17, the 17th International Congress on Sound and Vibration, Cairo, Egypt, 18-22 July 2010

Dear Colleague:

We thank all those who have submitted abstracts early for ICSV17 in Cairo. Over 650 abstracts have now been received, and half of these came in the last week. However, in the last three days before 31 January 2010, the website server became overloaded and very slow. Some people were unable to submit their abstracts because of this. So on Friday, 29 January, we had to shut the website down and put it onto a new faster server. It is now working correctly. If you had problems like this submitting your abstract, please submit your abstract now.

If you are having trouble connecting to the ICSV17 website on the new server, it may be that your computer is still trying to access the website on the old server using the old address still in the computer memory. In this case, please try to shut down your computer and reboot it to solve the problem. If you still have trouble, we suggest using a different computer to access the ICSV17 website, which has not been used to access the website before.

We are working on the final ICSV17 technical programme and making arrangements with the Intercontinental City Stars Hotel in Cairo on the number of lecture rooms we will need for the congress. Abstracts submitted in the next few days have a better chance of being placed in the most appropriate part of the ICSV17 technical programme. Therefore, if you plan to take part in ICSV17 and wish to present a paper, we ask you to submit your abstract as soon as possible, and not wait until the last minute to submit your abstract. We will try to hold open the possibility to submit late abstracts until 21 February, but after that we shall have to close off this possibility completely because we shall be reviewing the abstracts, deciding on acceptance and printing the programme booklet together with the book of accepted abstracts.

Thank you and we hope to hear from you soon.

Best Regards,

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