



Welcome

Welcome to the Joint NCSLI/CPEM 2020 virtual conference. The conference was initially scheduled to take place at the Gaylord Rockies Hotel and Convention Center in Aurora (near Denver), Colorado, USA from August 24 to August 28, 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the travel restrictions in place at the time of the conference, the meeting was switched entirely to a virtual platform. The 2020 virtual conference contains two distinct technical programs, one for the NCSLI annual workshop and symposium and one for CPEM 2020. The CPEM technical program includes 241 contributions from 639 authors and co-authors. All presentations were granted a virtual oral presentation, consisting of a pre-recorded video that is available on-demand to all registered attendees. The CPEM presentations are grouped in 32 virtual sessions that will remain accessible until summer 2021. We would like to thank all the members of the technical program committee (TPC), the session chairs, and the extended paper guest editors for their major contributions to the CPEM 2020 program success.

Public access to the virtual conference platform opened Monday August 24, 2020, at 10.30am (MDT), following the live conference welcome message and the first plenary presentation. Two more live plenary presentations took place on Tuesday August 25 and Wednesday August 26. Finally, the film “The Last Artifact” was broadcast on-demand from August 26, 5pm to August 28, 5pm.

We warmly thank NCSL International for hosting the joint NCSLI/CPEM 2020 conference, the National Institute of Standards and Technology, and all the sponsors for their support. The joint NCSLI/CPEM conference is scheduled to return in 2024 to its original Colorado location.

Sincerely,

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