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Recycled Construction Materials

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- Sustainable & Alternative Construction Materials
- Behaviour of Fresh and Young Concrete
- 3D printing of concrete
- Fibre reinforced, Self-compacting and high-performance concrete
- Geopolymer concrete
- Hempcrete
- Masonry Modelling and Regulation
- BIM for Construction Materials Circularity
- Nano technology and materials
- Cement production and compatibility
- Concrete admixtures and waterproofing
- Alternatives for cement and steel reinforcement

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Population growth

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Demand for infrastructure

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Extraction of Earth's resources

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Extraction of earth's resources on the rise with population increase

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Waste generation

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Figure 5: The City of Cape Town waste generated characterisation in 2015

Source: DEDAT (2016)

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Figure 2: Total waste generated in South Africa in 2017 by classification

Source: Modified from South Africa State of Waste Report 2018 (DEA, 2018)

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Figure 6: Waste landfilled / stockpiled at Cape Town landfills between 2016 and 2020

Source: CCT online data portal and engagements with private sector

Opportunities

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Cement replacement materials

Aggregate replacement materials

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Conventional cement-based concrete

- SCM-based concrete
- LC³-based concrete

Zero cement-based concrete

- Geopolymer concrete
- > Alkali-activated concrete

3D printed concrete

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Waste burnt clay bricks as fine aggregate in

concrete

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Waste steel slag as fine aggregate in concrete

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□ Waste SCBA and SF as SCM in concrete

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□ Waste plastic (RESIN8 & PET) as fine aggregate in concrete

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□ Waste plastic (RESIN8) in 3DPC

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CDW as fine aggregate in concrete

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