



Special Session #2:

Reinventing Urban Space: Top Down or Bottom Up?

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Planners and engineers worldwide are often faced with the difficult task of choosing between the options of going underground or building up to tackle the increasing pressure of land shortage and congestion in urban development. Many factors will affect this decision. These include land use, construction cost, aesthetics, environmental impact, accessibility and connectivity, operations and maintenance, and resilience against natural and man-made hazards. This special session aims to discuss and debate the pros and cons of underground or elevated space for urban development. It will bring together experts from various fields such as urban planning, engineering, architecture, and environmental science to engage in a meaningful dialogue about the advantages and disadvantages of these two approaches. It is hoped that the session will provide a platform for the attendees to engage in a constructive dialogue and arrive at a well-informed decision on the best approach for urban development.

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