

PAPER PREPARATION GUIDE AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS FOR 2024 EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON COMPUTING IN CONSTRUCTION

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Table 1: Example of a table where the caption should be on top of the table

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Conclusions

This paper has described how to prepare a paper for submission to the 2024 European Conference on Computing in Construction. Good luck with your paper.

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