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We are delighted to present the special issue of the Built Environment Journal (BEJ) for 2024, a pivotal effort to foster interdisciplinary research across the diverse domains of the built environment. This special issue is a culmination of contributions from three significant initiatives: the Quantity Surveying Research Initiative 2024 (QSRI 2024), the International Postgraduate Conference on Heritage Conservation and Sustainable Management (IPCHCSM 2024) and selected original research from architecture studies. Together, these efforts underscore our commitment to advancing knowledge and promoting collaboration among academics, practitioners, and policymakers.

This special issue encompasses three primary themes— Quantity Surveying, Heritage and Architecture—reflecting the multidisciplinary nature of the built environment. The articles include studies on heritage conservation, sustainable design practices, and quantity surveying & construction management, offering a rich blend of theoretical insights and practical implications. Contributions from the QSRI 2024 initiative provide a strong foundation for advancements in Quantity Surveying, while the IPCHCSM 2024 papers explore innovative approaches to heritage management and sustainability. Additionally, the architectural studies featured in this issue examine the intersections of cultural heritage, environmental behaviour, and innovative philosophies in architectural design, showcasing how these elements contribute to creating resilient and sustainable built environments.

All manuscripts underwent a rigorous peer-review process to ensure the highest standards of quality and relevance. Guest editors with domain expertise guided the process, ensuring that each article aligns with the objectives of the Built Environment Journal and contributes to the broader discourse within the field.

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As you explore the articles in this special issue, we hope they inspire meaningful discussions and further research. This publication represents a collective effort to address the challenges and opportunities within the built environment, and we are confident it will serve as a valuable resource for researchers, professionals, and students alike.

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