Dear CRC Colleagues:

As a part of the Construction Research Congress (http://crc2016.uprm.edu/), May 31-Jun 2, 2016 in San Juan, Puerto Rico, the ASCE Construction Research Council will be organizing a Ph.D. Student Research Poster Session. Doctoral students are invited to create and display posters highlighting their Ph.D. research in Construction Engineering and Management. The accepted posters are expected to convey new research ideas, and describe research methods and experimental results in detail.

Due to space limitations and also limited availability of the members of the jury during the poster session, based upon pre-evaluation of the submissions, only the top 20 posters will be considered for presentation and the best poster award competition. These 20 posters will be rigorously reviewed by the members of the jury during the CRC PhD Poster Session and among those, the top three will receive the best poster awards. Posters should be based on individual’s PhD works. Those submissions that include more than one student will not be considered.

Abstracts and posters must be submitted according to the guidelines provided below. The poster session is scheduled for May 31st, 6:30pm - 7:30pm. The students are expected to give a short synopsis of their research within 3 minutes, and answer questions posed by the jury, which will be comprised of a group of faculty members. Three best posters will be selected, and each author will present their work during the CRC Business meeting for 3 minutes.

Each student will be assigned a 33.1"×23.4" (ISO A1) display board on which poster can be mounted. The boards will be available for the mounting of the display on May 31st, from 5:00pm. Each student will be expected to remain with his/her poster throughout the poster session. To participate, please:

a) Email “Intent to Participate” to Mani Golparvar-Fard (mgolpar@illinois.edu) by Apr 15th, 2016. In your “Intent to Participate” email, ONLY include the author’s name, the advisor's name, school and student’s email address.

b) Submit PDFs of both your abstract and actual poster via the following CMT web link: (https://cmt.research.microsoft.com/CRC2016/) by Apr 29th, 5pm EDT. Use the following guideline for your submissions:

1) Abstracts should not be any more than one-page in length and should only use Time News Roman font with font size 11 with single line spacing. Abstracts should clearly describe the following: (1) problem statement; (2) research objective; (3) overview of research method; (4) preliminary or final results; and (5) scientific contributions to the body of knowledge and practical significance.

2) Actual poster should not be larger than 33.1"×23.4" (ISO A1) and must include author's name, email address, school name; and the advisor's name.

The “Intent to Participate” email is required for every submission to be considered for the review process. Those posters submissions with no prior “Intent to Participate” email will be returned without review. The accepted 20 posters will be notified by May 17, 2016. We will post the PDFs of the accepted posters along with their abstracts to (http://crc2016.uprm.edu/).

Please address any questions to me by email at mgolpar@illinois.edu.