

16th October 2025

Subject: Call for Abstracts – CS7 Conference 2025

Dear Colleagues, Students, Researchers and Practitioners,

We are pleased to announce the Call for Abstracts for the 7th City Street Conference, hosted by the Ramez Chagoury Faculty of Architecture, Arts, and Design (RC FAAD), at Notre Dame University (NDU), Louaize-Zouk Mosbeh, Lebanon. The multidisciplinary International Conference CS⁷ will take place between 28th-30th October 2026. Please visit the website <https://www.ndu.edu.lb/city-street-7/home> for a comprehensive background to the Conference.

This biennial international event has become a leading platform for dialogue and collaboration among scholars, professionals, and policymakers dedicated to shaping the future of urban environments. Under the theme “Flexible City Streets: Future Challenges and Smart Adaptations,” the conference will explore how streets can evolve into dynamic, resilient, and inclusive spaces.

This year's conference theme is:

FLEXIBLE CITY STREETS: Future Challenges and Smart Adaptations

We invite submissions of high-quality abstracts that address, but are not limited to, the following topics:

1. INNOVATING URBAN MOBILITY: THE FUTURE OF SMART STREETS

- The Role of Shared Mobility in Future Urban Travel
- Real-time Traffic Management with AI and Data Analytics
- Reimagining Urban Streets as Community Spaces for Active & Healthier Living

2. BUILDING RESILIENCE: ADAPTING CITY STREETS TO CLIMATE CHALLENGES

- Retrofitting Streets for Public Health and Wellbeing
- Climate-Resilient Pavements and Materials
- Design for Post-Event Recovery
- Urban farming, rooftop gardens, and vertical agriculture

3. SMART STREET: INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGY WITH PUBLIC SPACES

- Designing Smart Streets for Pedestrian and Bicycle Access
- Integrating Public Wi-Fi, Charging Stations, and Tech Infrastructure
- Smart Signage and Information Systems for Street Users
- Sustainable Materials and Digital Art in Street Design
- Universal Design Principles for Accessible Streets

4. ADAPTING TO CHANGE: URBAN PLANNING FOR CLIMATE AND POPULATION GROWTH

- Urban Density and Street Space Optimization
- Design for Future Generations: Streets in the Face of Growth
- Affordable Housing and Infrastructure: Balancing Needs

5. RETROFITTING HISTORIC STREETS: BALANCING PRESERVATION AND NEEDS

- Restoring Streetscapes while Retrofitting for Resilience
- Community Involvement in Retrofitting Historic Streets
- Case Studies in Historic Street Retrofitting

6. BUSINESS MODELS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

- Crisis Management and Urban Resilience
- Risk Assessment and Preparedness
- Public-Private Partnerships, New Development, Insurance, etc.

CS⁷ Important Dates

Launching CS ⁷ & Call for Abstracts	15 th October 2025
Deadline for abstracts	30 th November 2025
Notification of abstract acceptances	10 th January 2026
Deadline for full papers/posters submission	15 th May 2026
Deadline for poster	15 th May 2026
Official competition announcement	30 th June 2026
Registration of competition participants	1 st - 31 st July 2026
Notification of papers acceptance	15 th June 2026
Deadline for submitting competition entries	30 th September 2026
Conference	28 th – 30 th October 2026

Check the CS7 website for Submission Guidelines: <https://www.ndu.edu.lb/city-street-7/home>.

Accepted abstracts/papers will be presented in either oral or poster format, in person or virtually, and published in the official CS7 2026 Proceedings. For more information, please visit our website: <https://www.ndu.edu.lb/city-street-7/home>

The deadline for receiving abstracts is 30th November 2025. Your response would be much appreciated by email to the address: citystreet@ndu.edu.lb. Should you require any further clarifications please do not hesitate to contact me on the details at the end of this letter.

We look forward to your contributions and to welcoming you to CS7 2026 to inspiring discussions, meaningful connections, and innovative strategies that will help in reforming the streets and cities of tomorrow.

Please indicate full contact address in reply.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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