Journal Submission
Authors attending Disaster Management 2013 will be invited to submit an extended version of their paper for possible publication in the International Journal of Safety and Security Engineering, one of the Journals edited by the Wessex Institute.

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The language of the conference will be English.

Online submission
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Submit your abstract with Disaster Management 2013 in the subject line. Please include your name, full address and conference topic.

Location
Originally an important Roman trading port, A Coruña is a busy city in the north-west of Spain whose character is distinctly different to that of Mediterranean Spain. Located in the verdant agricultural region of Galicia, A Coruña is home to Roman remains, castles, museums and impressive produce markets, and is famous for its excellent fish and seafood. A new promenade frames the waterfront, extending the length of the city and linking its many attractions, shopping areas and beaches. The nineteenth century centre is noted for its unusual Galerias — glazed balconies on the front of almost all buildings which allow the city’s residents to enjoy the Atlantic views year round. A landmark of the city, the 2,000 year old tower of Hercules is the oldest lighthouse in existence, a World Heritage site and National Monument of Spain.

Conference Venue
Disaster Management 2013 will take place at the Meliá Maria Pita hotel in A Coruña. Situated in an exceptional waterfront position, close to two of the city’s most popular beaches, the hotel is a short distance from the main sights and amenities in the city centre.

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The world is facing an increasing number of natural disasters affecting millions of people, destroying property and resulting in loss of human life. These include major floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, tsunamis and many others.

Today we are facing unparalleled threats from human-made disasters that can be attributed to the failure of industrial and energy installations as well as deliberate sabotage from terrorists and vandalism during virulent political upheavals.

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The proceedings will help participants to understand the nature of global risks, learn risk management strategies to prepare for disruptive events, and identify the best prevention methods in disaster management and public health. It will provide a forum for the exchange of information between leading academics and partners in disaster management.

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- Papers presented at Disaster Management 2013 will appear in a volume of WIT Transactions on the Built Environment (ISSN: 1746-4498, Digital ISSN: 1743-3509).
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