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The book „Handbook of Research on Advancements in Environmental Engineering“ was printed in 2015 (in the English language) in circulation of IGI Global, USA. The editor of the book is PhD Nediljka Gaurina-Medjimurec, full professor of the Faculty of Mining, Geology and Petroleum Engineering, University of Zagreb. Authors of specific chapters are mostly university and institute staff, from Croatia, USA, Germany, Turkey, India and South Africa.

The book's format is A4 (210 x 297 mm), including 660 pages with a foreword, preface, the main text with 19 chapters, a compilation of references, contributors curriculum vitae and an index. The book includes 143 figures and 74 tables. In addition, each chapter contains an abstract, the main text, a reference list, an additional reading section and key terms and definitions. The chapter titles are:

- 1) **Greenhouse Gas Emissions from the Petroleum Industry** (*author Lidia Hrnčević*);
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- 15) **Underground Injection of Drilling Waste** (*author Nediljka Gaurina-Medjimurec*);
- 16) **Modeling and Simulation of Polymer Solar Cells** (*author Gavin Buxton*);
- 17) **Landslides – A Guide to Researching the Landslide Phenomena and Processes** (*authors Snejzana Mihalić Arbanas & Željko Arbanas*);
- 18) **Optimization of Tuned Mass Dampers to Improve the Earthquake Resistance of High Buildings** (*author Rolf Steinbuch*);
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Knjiga je A4 formata (210 x 297 mm) te sadržava 660 stranica koje obuhvaćaju predgovor, uvod, glavni tekst podijeljen u devetnaest poglavlja (uključujući 143 grafička i 74 tablična prikaza), popis literature, kratke životopise autora pojedinih poglavlja i indekse. Također, svako poglavlje dodatno sadržava sažetak, glavni tekst, popis literature, popis dodatne literature te definicije ključnih pojmoveva. U nastavku su navedeni originalni naslovi pojedinih poglavlja te pripadajući autori:

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Knjiga „Handbook of Research on Advancement in Environmental Engineering“ najnoviji je u nizu naslova u izdanju IGI Global na temu napretka u zaštiti okoliša i razvoju ekološki prihvatljivih tehnologija (**Advances in Environmental Engineering and Green Technologies (AEEGT) book series**). Kako se radi o vrlo širokome području inženjerstva okoliša, knjiga je radi preglednosti podijeljena u sedam tematskih cjelina, odnosno sekcija. Prva tematska cjelina sadržava prva tri poglavlja knjige i pokriva područje klimatskih promjena i onečišćenja zraka. Druga sekcija također obuhvaća tri poglavlja (4, 5 i 6) te se tematski odnosi na onečišćenje vode. U sljedećoj tematskoj cjelini koja obuhvaća poglavlja 7, 8 i 9 autori se bave napretkom znanosti i tehnologije u rješavanju problema onečišćenja tla. Autori poglavlja u tematskoj cjelini „Recikliranje i odlaganje otpada“ (poglavlja od 10 do 15) obrađuju problematiku recikliranja plastičnoga i elektroničkoga otpada, mogućnosti primjene otpadnih materijala u cestogradnji te različite postupke za odlaganje otpada u podzemlju. Petu tematsku cjelinu čini samo jedno poglavlje (poglavlje 16) u kojem se obrađuju polimerne solarne ćelije, odnosno mogućnost uporabe solarne energije, dok šesta sekcija (poglavlja 17 i 18) obuhvaća prirodne hazarde (potresi, klizišta) i procjene rizika. Zadnja tematska cjelina obuhvaća samo jedno poglavlje u kojem se autor bavi problematikom troškova provođenja mjera zaštite okoliša kod proizvodnje električne energije.

O urednici:

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