LWT-FLOOR Project

Overview of the realised activities

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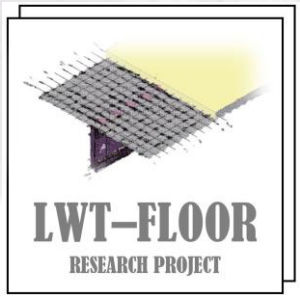

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Inovativna lagana međukatna konstrukcija – spregnuti sustav hladno oblikovani čelik i beton // Innovative lightweight cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system

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1. Introduction

Projekt LWT-FLOOR povezuje najnovije spoznaje u novoj, brzoj i produktivnoj tehnologiji točkastog zavarivanja i inovativna rješenja sprezanja hladno oblikovanog čelika i betona predlažući novu metodu izgradnje kao kombinaciju sastavljenih hladno oblikovanih čeličnih elemenata i betonske ploče. Ovaj ekonomičan i održiv sustav lagane međukatne konstrukcije nudi vitalne prednosti u smislu visokog stupnja predgotovljenosti, mogućnosti ponovne upotrebe i mogućih velikih raspona. Glavni cilj projekta je uspostaviti novu istraživačku grupu koja će posjedovati znanje i opremu za istraživanje novog sustava međukatne konstrukcije s fokusiranim znanstvenim interesima u potrazi za konkurentnijim nacionalnim i međunarodnim financiranjem. Kako bi se istražile i vrednovale komponente i sustav u cjelini, planira se opsežno eksperimentalno, numeričko i probabilističko istraživanje. U okviru istraživanja posebna pozornost će biti posvećena točkastim zavarima i inovativnim vrstama posmične veze s mogućnošću projektiranja za demontažu i potencijalom za buduće ponovne uporabe ili recikliranja na kraju životnog vijeka uključujući analize životnog ciklusa. Kalibrirani numerički modeli temeljeni na eksperimentalnim ispitivanjima sustava i njegovih komponenata omogućit će, uz primjenu probabilističkih metoda, procjenu prikladnosti sustava za veće raspone. Projekt će donijeti nove vještine istraživačkoj grupi i istraživačkoj instituciji, a pored toga obranit će se i dvije disertacije te objaviti znanstveni radovi u najcitiranijim časopisima. Ovaj inovativni projekt, koji osigurava čvrste veze između akademske zajednice i industrije, povećat će mobilnost i ojačati dugoročnu suradnju između dva sektora. Probabilističke analize i procjene ponašanja predloženog rješenja u životnom ciklusu međukatne konstrukcije bit će od ključnog značaja za pripremu prvog analitičkog prijedloga za izradu preporuka za projektiranje ovog novog sustava u okviru europskih norma.

The LWT-FLOOR project integrates state-of-the-art knowledge in new, fast and productive spot-welding technology and innovative cold-formed steel-concrete composite solutions proposing a new construction method as a combination of built-up cold-formed steel members and cast-in-place concrete slab. This cost-effective and sustainable floor system offers vital benefits in terms of a high degree of prefabrication, reusability and long spanning capability. The main objective of the project is to establish a new research group that will possess knowledge and equipment for research on new composite floor system with focused scientific interests in a search for more competitive national and international funding. In order to investigate and validate components and proposed system, the extensive experimental, numerical and probabilistic research is planned. Within research, a particular focus will be given to spot-welding connections and innovative types of shear connections with possibility of design for demountability and the potential of re-use or recycling at the end of design life through the application of lifecycle analyses. Calibrated and validated numerical models based on experimental tests of the system and its components will allow, through the application of probabilistic methods, evaluation of the system suitability for larger spans. The project will bring out new skills to the research group and the research institution, besides which two dissertations will be defended and scientific papers in most cited journals will be published. This innovative project, providing strong connections between the scientific community and industry, will increase the mobility as well as strengthen long-term cooperation between the two sectors. Probabilistic analyses and life cycle performance evaluation of the proposed floor system solution will be crucial for establishing the first analytical proposal for design recommendations of this new system within the European standards.

PROGRAM // PROGRAMME

1. dan, soba 121, 1. kat glavna zgrada //1st day, room 121, 1st floor main building

14h00 – 14h10 REGISTRACIJA // REGISTRATION
14h10 – 14h15 OTVARANJE // OPPENING
14h15 – 15h00 Daniel-Viorel Ungureanu
Najnovija dostignuća u sastavljenim čeličnim elementima od hladno oblikovanih profila s valovitim hrptom
Recent Developments in Built-Up Cold-Formed Steel Components with Corrugated Webs
15h00 – 15h30 DISKUSIJA // DISCUSSION

2. dan, soba 215, 2. kat glavna zgrada //2nd day, room 215, 2nd floor main building

11h00 – 11h10 REGISTRACIJA // REGISTRATION
11h10 – 12h00 Ivan Lukačević
LWT-FLOOR projekt - pregled realiziranih aktivnosti
LWT-FLOOR project - overview of the realised activities
12h00 – 12h20 Ivan Ćurković, Ivan Lukačević, Vlaho Žuvelek, Andrea Rajić, Marko Bartolac
Eksperimentalno istraživanje ponašanja demontažnog posmičnog spoja u spregnutim nosačima od hladnooblikovanog čelika i betona
Experimental Investigation on the Behaviour of the Demountable Shear Connection in Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite Beams
12h20 – 12h40 Vlaho Žuvelek, Ivan Ćurković, Ivan Lukačević, Andrea Rajić
Pristup metodom konačnih elemenata ponašanju demontažnog posmičnog spoja u spregnutim nosačima od hladnooblikovanog čelika i betona
Finite Element Approach on the Behaviour of the Demountable Shear Connection in Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite Beams
12h40 – 13h00 Vlaho Žuvelek, Ivan Ćurković
Pouzdanost posmične veze kod spregnutog sustava izvedenog od hladno oblikovanoga čelika i betona – sažetak doktorskog rada
Reliability of Shear Connection in Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite System – PhD summary
13h00 – 13h30 STANKA // BREAK
13h30 – 13h50 Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Ćurković, Andrea Rajić, Vlaho Žuvelek, Marko Bartolac
Ponašanje LWT-FLOOR spregnutih međukatnih nosača: eksperimentalno ispitivanje
Performance of LWT-FLOOR Steel-Concrete Composite Floor Beams: Full-Scale Experimental Study
13h50 – 14h10 Andrea Rajić, Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Ćurković, Vlaho Žuvelek
Parametarska analiza osjetljivosti otpornosti na savijanje spregnutog sustava od sastavljenih hladno oblikovanih čeličnih profila i betona
Parametric Sensitivity Analysis on Bending Resistance of Built-Up Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite System
14h10 – 14h30 Andrea Rajić, Ivan Lukačević
Pouzdanost spregnutoga međukatnoga sustava čelik-beton izvedenoga od hladno oblikovanih sastavljenih čeličnih elemenata – sažetak doktorskog rada
Reliability of Composite Steel-Concrete Floor System Made of Built-Up Cold-Formed Steel Elements – PhD summary
14h30 –14h50 Emanuel Krupa-Jurić, Ivan Lukačević
Primjena sastavljenih nosača od hladno oblikovanih čeličnih profila s valovitim hrptom
Application of Built-Up Beams Made of Cold-Formed Steel Profiles with Corrugated Webs
14h50 – 15h00 ZATVARANJE RADIONICE // CLOSING OF WORKSHOP

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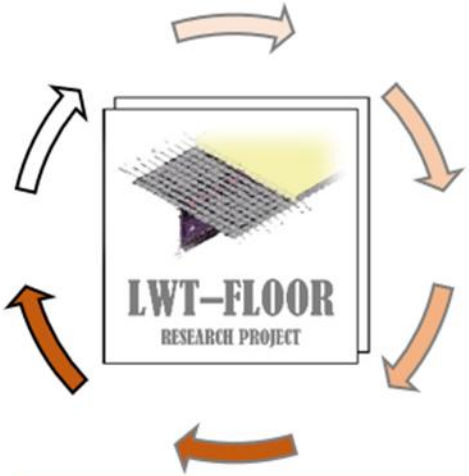
O1 …to establish research group

ER1: Research group equipped with knowledge and instrumentation for specimen's preparation, experimental, numerical and probabilistic testing, understanding components and overall behaviour of the proposed system through the entire life cycle.

O2 …to investigate and validate, experimentally, numerically and probabilistically components of proposed system

ER2: Technical report with test results on materials and optimal welded and shear connections solutions.



O3 …to investigate and validate, experimentally, numerically and probabilistically proposed system

ER3: Technical report with results for the proposed system

O4 …to validate proposed floor system through on numerical parametric studies, probabilistic methods and life cycle analyses

ER4: Report with validation of FE models for different floor system typologies and results of numerical, probabilistic and life cycle studies of specimens with larger spans.

O5 …to establish an analytical proposal for design recommendations for this new type of floor system

ER5: Technical recommendations for design and fabrication will be proposed

O6 …to prepare project proposals and applying to other sources of funding

ER6: Research group as a centre of expertise self-sustained through other national and international funding sources.

2. Realised activities 1st year

1st Project Period	
Results to be achieved	RG member
D1. Defined project implementation management plan (O1 to O6) – finnished	IL
D2. Project Kickoff Meeting: Electronic data exchange facilities will be organized for communication data sharing (O1 to O6) – finnished	All
D3. Project webpage installation, profile of the project on the Academic Social Network Site and visual identity of the project (O1 to O6) – finnished	IL
D4. Presentation of project on the web site (O1 to O6) – continuous job…	IL, PhD Student (D)
D5. Literature delivered (O2 to O5) – finnished	IL
D6. PhD student employed; research group established (O1) – planed July 2021, realised Nov 2021	All
D7. 1st Research group coordination meeting (O1 to O6) - finnished	All
D8. Training for PhD student – Cold-formed steel (O2 to O5) – not realised due to delay of D6.	D
D9. Training for PhD student – Composite structures (O2 to O5) - not realised due to delay of D6.	D
D10. Design of specimens for testing and technical specification for fabrication (O2, O3) –finished	IL, D, MB, IĆ, IČ
D11. Fabrication of material specimens (O2) – finnished	IL, D, MB, IĆ, IČ
D12. Fabrication of spot-welded connections (O2) - finnished	IL, D, MB, IĆ, IČ
D13. Fabrication of shear connections (O2) - finnished	IL, D, MB, IĆ, IČ
D14. Presentation of the project results one or two papers (ICMS'21) and one or two papers (IABSE 2021) (O2) – EUROSTEEL 2021, WMCAUS 2021, IC-UBT 2021, LIMAS 2021	IL, D, IĆ, IČ, IČ
D15. Journal Paper SCOPUS WoS Q3, Q4 – state of the art paper (O2, O3) – finnished	IL, D, MB, IĆ, IČ
D16. 1st Workshop organised (O1 to O2) – finnished (17th of December 2021)	All

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- D1. Defined project implementation management plan (O1 to O6)

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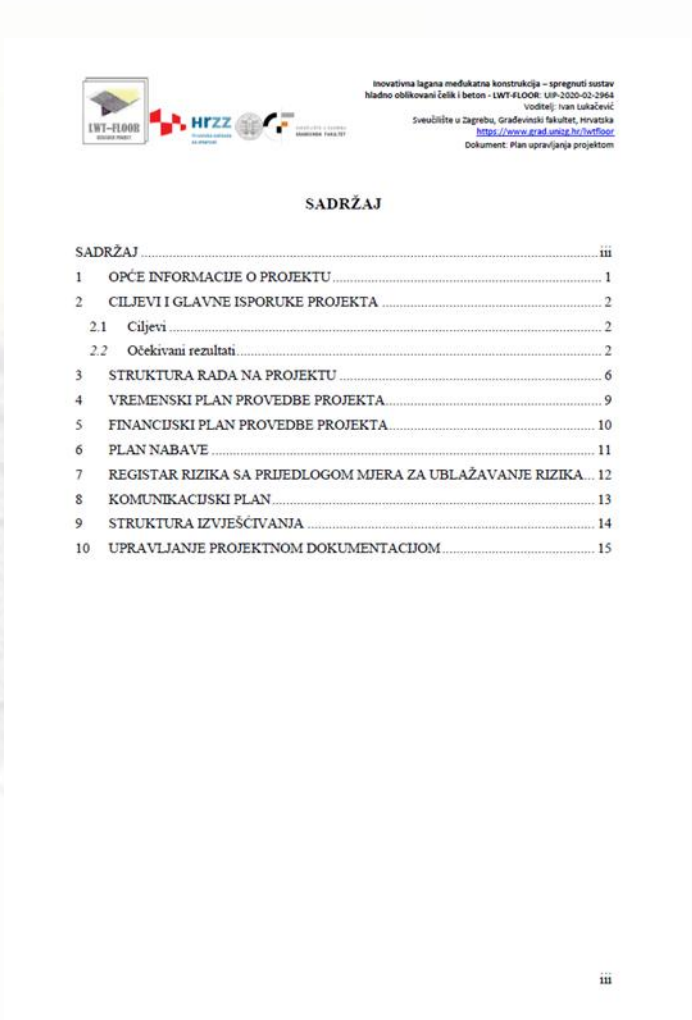

Inovativna lagana međukatna konstrukcija – spregnuti sustav hladno oblikovani čelik i beton - LWT-FLOOR: UIP-2020-02-2964
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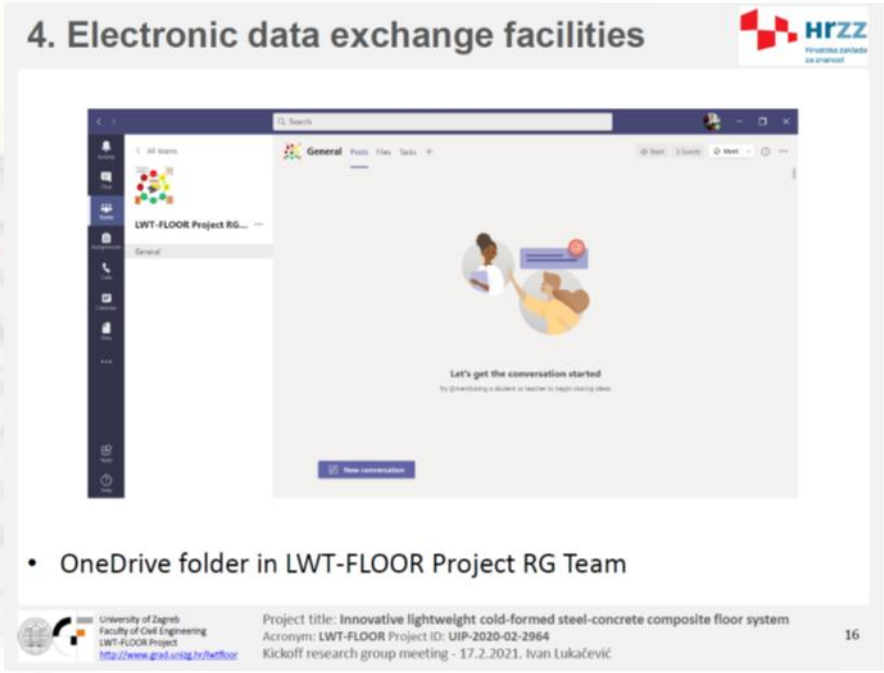
- D2. Project Kickoff Meeting: Electronic data exchange facilities will be organized for communication data sharing



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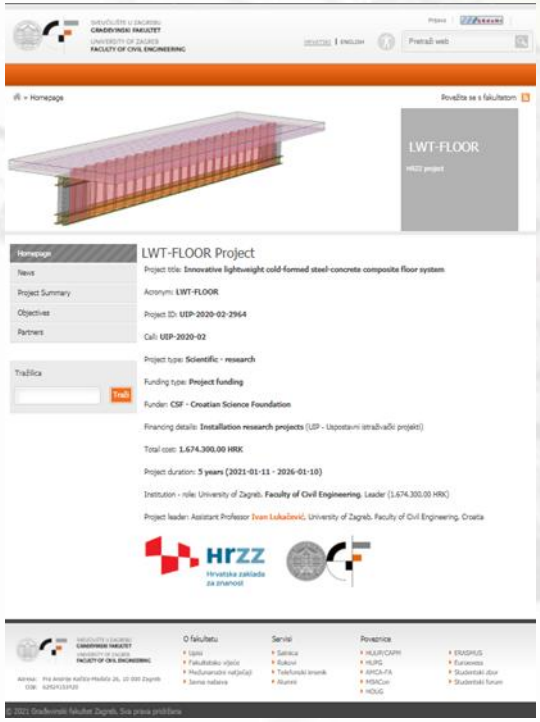
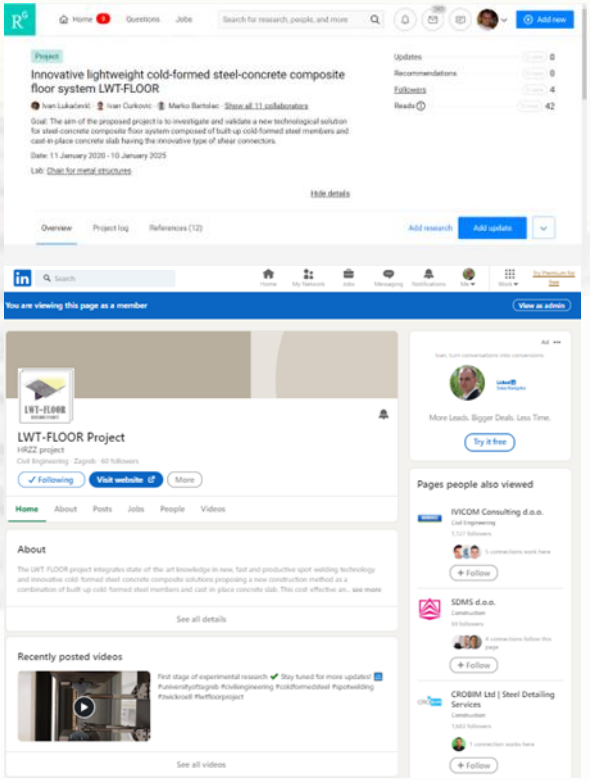
- D3. Project webpage installation, profile of the project on the Academic Social Network Site and visual identity of the project (O1 to O6)





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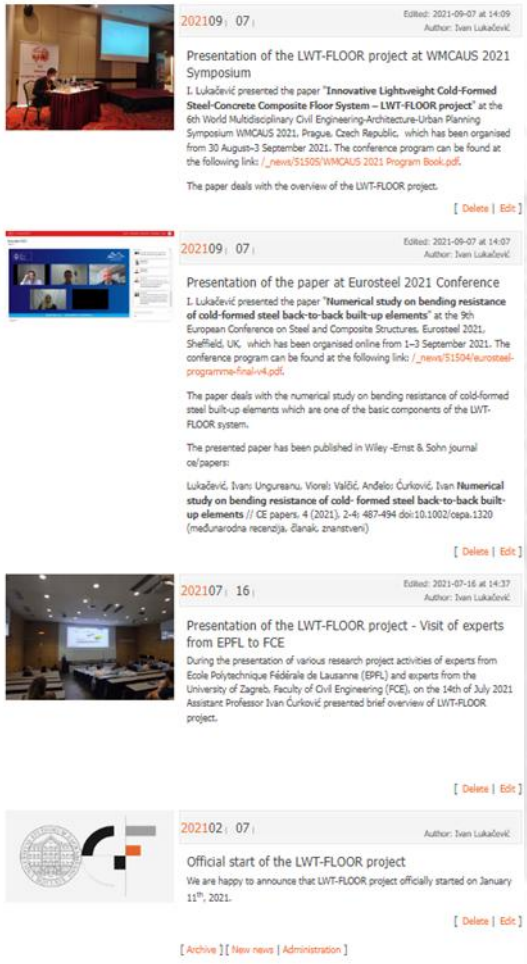
- D4. Presentation of project on the web site (O1 to O6)



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Presentation of the LWT-FLOOR project at WMCAUS 2021 Symposium

I. Lukačević presented the paper "**Innovative Lightweight Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite Floor System – LWT-FLOOR project**" at the 6th World Multidisciplinary Civil Engineering-Architecture-Urban Planning Symposium WMCAUS 2021, Prague, Czech Republic, which has been organised from 30 August–3 September 2021. The conference program can be found at the following links: /_news/51505/WMCAUS 2021 Program Book.pdf.

The paper deals with the overview of the LWT-FLOOR project.

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202109 | 07 | Edited: 2021-09-07 at 14:07 Author: Ivan Lukačević

Presentation of the paper at Eurosteel 2021 Conference

I. Lukačević presented the paper "**Numerical study on bending resistance of cold-formed steel back-to-back built-up elements**" at the 9th European Conference on Steel and Composite Structures, Eurosteel 2021, Sheffield, UK, which has been organised online from 1–3 September 2021. The conference program can be found at the following links: /_news/51504/eurosteel-programme-final-v4.pdf.

The paper deals with the numerical study on bending resistance of cold-formed steel built-up elements which are one of the basic components of the LWT-FLOOR system.

The presented paper has been published in Wiley -Ernst & Sohn journal ce/papers:

Lukačević, Ivan; Ungureanu, Viorel; Vaičić, Anđelo; Ćurković, Ivan **Numerical study on bending resistance of cold- formed steel back-to-back built-up elements** // CE papers. 4 (2021), 2-4: 487-494 doi:10.1002/cepa.1320 (međunarodna recenzija, članak, znanstveni)

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Presentation of the LWT-FLOOR project - Visit of experts from EPFL to FCE

During the presentation of various research project activities of experts from École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL) and experts from the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Civil Engineering (FCE), on the 14th of July 2021 Assistant Professor Ivan Ćurković presented brief overview of LWT-FLOOR project.

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Official start of the LWT-FLOOR project

We are happy to announce that LWT-FLOOR project officially started on January 11th, 2021.

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202112 | 03 | Author: Ivan Lukačević

Presentation of the paper at 3rd International Conference on Lightweight Design of Engineering Structures – LIMAS 2021

I. Lukačević presented the paper "**Numerical Analysis of Lightweight Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite Floor System**" at the 3rd International Conference on Lightweight Design of Engineering Structures – LIMAS 2021, Edinburgh, UK, which has been organised from 22-23 November 2021 online. The conference program can be found at the following links: https://asranet.co.uk/Conferences/LIMAS.

The paper deals with the overview of the LWT-FLOOR project and the results of preliminary numerical evaluations.

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202111 | 25 | Edited: 2021-11-25 at 08:48 Author: Ivan Lukačević

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202111 | 19 | Edited: 2021-11-24 at 08:02 Author: Ivan Lukačević

Presentation of the paper at 10th International Conference on Business, Technology and Innovation 2021

A. Rajić presented the paper "**Behaviour of lightweight built-up cold-formed steel-concrete composite beam in bending**" at the 10th International Conference on Business, Technology and Innovation 2021 - sub conference 10th International Civil Engineering, Infrastructure and Environment Conference, Priština, Kosovo, which has been organised online from 29–30 October 2021. The abstract of the paper can be found at the following links: https://conferences.ubt-uni.net/2021/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/10th-International-Conference-on-Business-Technology-and-Innovat.pdf

The paper deals with the numerical study on bending resistance of built-up cold-formed steel-concrete composite beam.

The presented paper will be published in Conference procedings soon.

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202112 | 23 | Author: Ivan Lukačević

Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year!

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year!

LWT-FLOOR Project Research Group Members

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202112 | 23 | Edited: 2021-12-23 at 12:17 Author: Andrea Rajić

The first workshop of LWT-FLOOR project

On December 17th, the first LWT-FLOOR project workshop was held. We thank all the presenters and participants of the workshop.

The videos of workshop presentations and discussions will be published on the project web page soon.

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202112 | 20 | Author: Andrea Rajić

The first research group meeting

On 3rd of December, the first online meeting of the research group was held, at which the achievements of the project so far were presented, as well as the plans for the continuation of the project implementation. The current members of the project were introduced to the newly employed doctoral students and their roles in the project activities.

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New research group member!

PhD student Vlaho Žuvelek become officially a member of the LWT-FLOOR research group. Congratulations, Vlaho Žuvelek!

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1st Workshop LWT-FLOOR Project

1st LWT-FLOOR Project WORKSHOP will be organised at the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Zagreb, Croatia on 17th of December 2021, Online. Aims of the workshop are the presentation of the LWT-FLOOR project background, presentations and discussions about planned activities and recent results and presentation of other activities of the research group members and project advisors related to the composite and cold-formed steel structural elements.

A workshop flyer with the programme is available HERE.

The link for the live event via MS Teams is available HERE.

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- D5. Literature delivered (O2 to O5)

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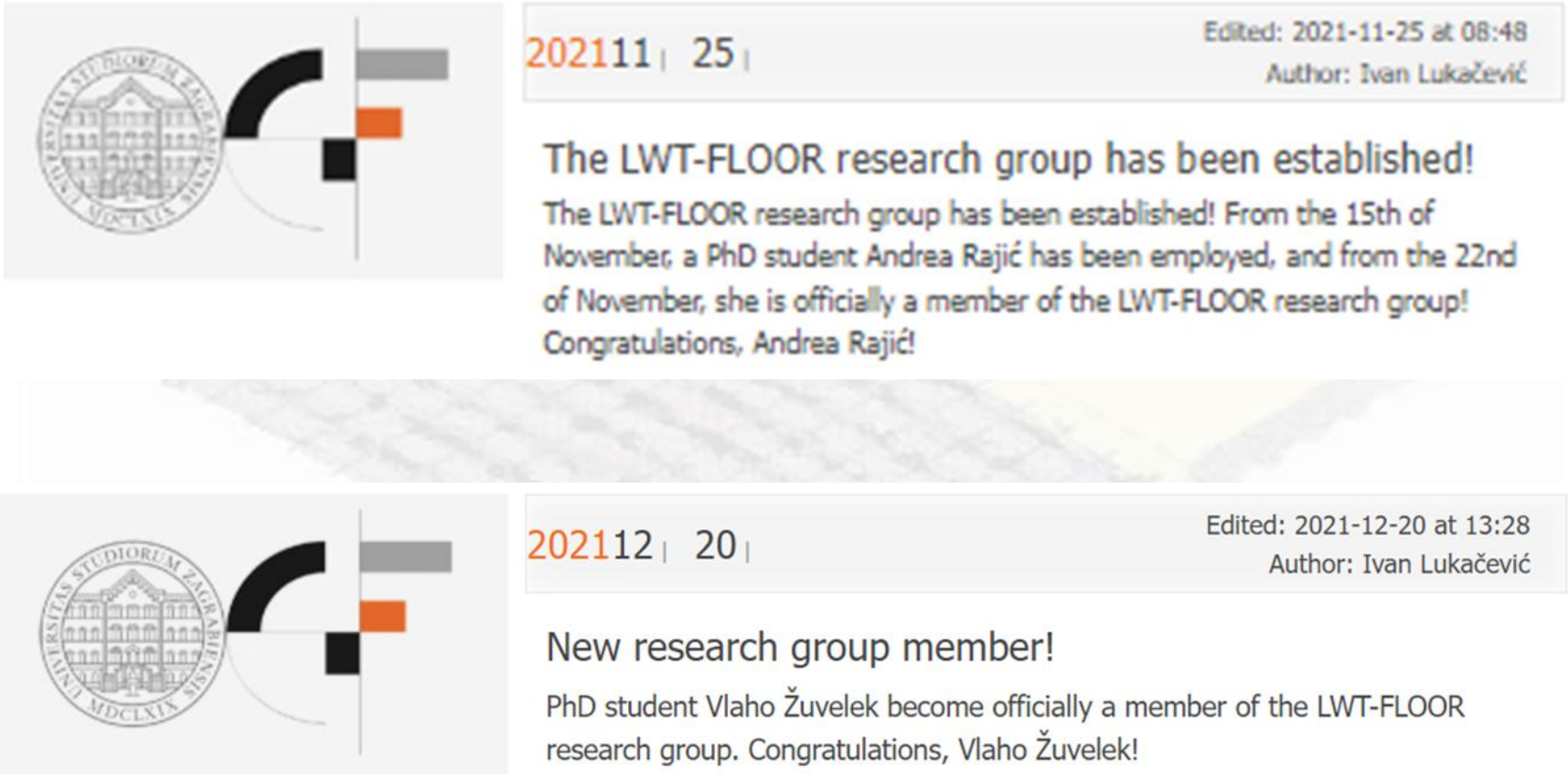
- D6. PhD student employed; research group established (O1)



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- D7. 1st Research group coordination meeting (O1 to O6)


Project title: **Innovative lightweight cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system**
Acronym: **LWT-FLOOR** Project ID: **UIP-2020-02-2964**
1st research group meeting – 3.12.2021.

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Innovative lightweight cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system

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- D10. Design of specimens for testing and technical specification for fabrication (O2, O3)

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- D11. Fabrication of material specimens (O2)

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- D12. Fabrication of spot-welded connections (O2)

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- D13. Fabrication of shear connections (O2)

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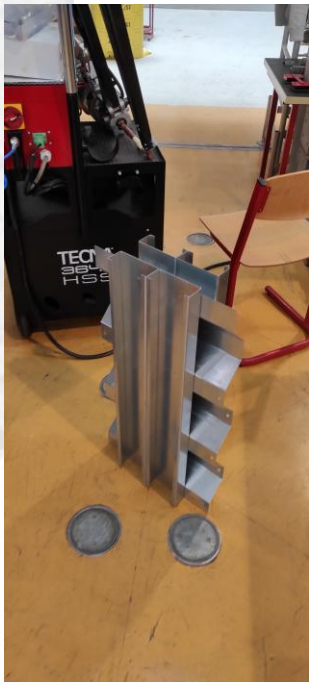

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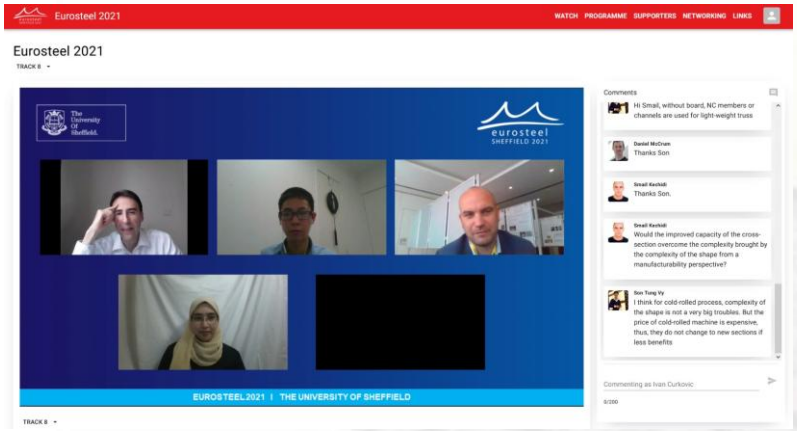
- D14. Presentation of the project results one or two papers (ICMS'21) and one or two papers (IABSE 2021) (O2)



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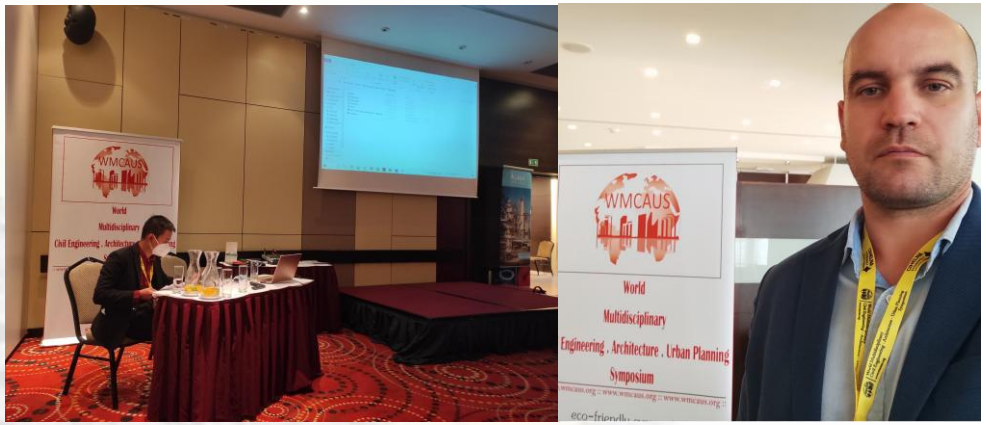

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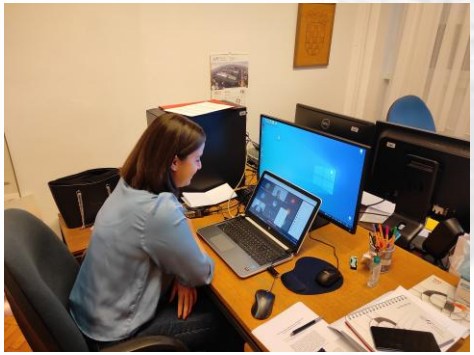

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- D15. Journal Paper SCOPUS WoS Q3, Q4 – state of the art paper (O2, O3)

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Lightweight Composite Floor System—Cold-Formed Steel and Concrete—LWT-FLOOR Project

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Abstract: In the last few decades, the application of lightweight cold-formed composite steel–concrete structural systems has constantly been increasing within the field of structural engineering. This can be explained by efficient material usage, particularly noticeable when using cold-formed built-up sections and the innovative types of shear connections. This paper summarises an overview of the development of the cold-formed composite steel–concrete floor systems. Additionally, it provides the background, planned activities, and preliminary results of the current LWT-FLOOR project, which is ongoing at the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Croatia. The proposed structural system is formed of built-up cold-formed steel beams and cast-in-place concrete slabs that are interconnected using an innovative type of shear connection. Preliminary analytical and numerical results on the system bending capacity are presented. Obtained results are mutually comparable. The resistance of the fixed beam solution is governed by the resistance of the steel beam, while pinned beam solution is governed by the degree of shear connection without the influence of the increased number of spot welds in the steel beam.

Keywords: cold-formed built-up steel; spot welding; steel–concrete composite system; floor system; finite element (FE) modelling

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1. Introduction

One of the key strategies to reduce human impact on Earth is to completely rethink our present lifestyle, especially the one led in industrialised countries. One of the critical aspects of this new lifestyle is sustainability, including reducing raw material and energy consumption. This can be achieved through innovations that will maximise the values of the structural components and building materials during their lifecycle. Although a widespread, systematic approach is still lacking, individual scientific projects are well aware of this problem and provide relevant solutions. An excellent example of this is the application of the composite cold-formed steel–concrete solutions that significantly reduce material consumption and contribute to the aforementioned change of the present unsustainable lifestyle.

The known fact is that composite steel–concrete systems are generally one of the most cost-effective structural systems applied in multi-storey buildings. The main reason behind this is that composite steel–concrete solutions integrate structural efficiency and the speed of construction. The structural efficiency results from the effective usage of structural materials, namely steel and concrete, thus omitting their inherent disadvantages. On the other hand, construction speed is enhanced since propping and formwork installation can be significantly reduced or even completely avoided.

However, despite all the advantages and benefits of composite structural systems, so far, they have not had the chance to be applied to any greater extent, i.e., certainly not to the extent that they deserve [1]. According to Ahmed et al. [2], the main forces driving the research within the field of composite steel–concrete structural systems are related

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To provide the foundations for economic and social prosperity, countries worldwide need to be making a term investment in their building assets. However, there is a lack of a systematic approach, such as manufacturing innovations, to maximize the values of building components and materials in its entire lifecycle. Steel-concrete composite floor systems are one of the most cost-effective construction systems for multi-storey steel buildings because they combine structural efficiency with the speed of construction. These advantages depend on the efficiency of combining steel and concrete structural elements to avoid their inherent disadvantages. This paper presents a solution that integrates state-of-the-art knowledge in new, fast and productive spot-welding technology and innovative cold-formed steel-concrete composite solutions. The solution proposes a new construction method as a combination of built- up cold-formed steel members and cast-in-place concrete slab. The proposed floor system offers key benefits in terms of a high degree of prefabrication, reusability and long spanning capability.

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D5. Training for one group member experimental deformation analysis (O2, O3) – finnished	AR or MB
D6. Technical report with test results on materials- 160 tests, see Application form (O2) – we are working on it	IL, AR, MB, IĆ, VŽ
D7. Technical report with test results on spot welded connections - 330 tests, see Application form (O2) – we are working on it	IL, AR, MB, IĆ, VŽ
D8. Technical report with results for tested types of shear connections - 30 tests, see Application form (O2) – we are working on it	IL, AR, MB, IĆ, VŽ
D9. Technical report with interpretation of results for tested types of shear connections - 30 tests, see Application form (O2) – we are working on it	IL, AR, MB, IĆ, VŽ
D10. Fabrication of full-scale steel specimens – 4 (3) specimens, see Application form (O3)– finnished	IL, AR, MB, IĆ, VŽ
D11. Fabrication of full-scale composite specimens – 4 (3) specimens, see Application form (O3) – we are working on it	IL, AR, MB, IĆ, VŽ
D12. Presentation of one or two papers (SDSS 2022) (O2) - finnished	AR, IĆ
D13. 2nd Workshop organised (O1 to O2) – End of 2022 (15th of December 2022)	All

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Presentation of the LWT-FLOOR project and recent project activities the International scientific and technical conference «Modern structures of metal and wood»

A. Rajić presented the report "Innovative lightweight composite floor system – built-up cold-formed steel-concrete" at the International scientific and technical conference «Modern structures of metal and wood», Odesa, Ukraine, which has been organised online from 9–11 June 2022. The report can be found at the following link: https://odabamdipk.wixsite.com/sbornik/arhiveconf?lang=en

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Push tests of innovative shear connection

Master students of the course Composite Structures (2nd year of graduate master study) on Wednesday, June 8, 2022, had the opportunity to attend a push-out laboratory test of innovative shear connection in the Laboratory for Structural Testing at the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Civile Engineering.

Before testing in the laboratory, the HRZZ project LWT-FLOOR is presented to students.

More information can be found here.

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New paper related to LWT-FLOOR project has been published!

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Author: Andrea Rajić

The International Colloquium on Stability and Ductility of Steel Structures

Two new research papers have been presented at the International Colloquium on Stability and Ductility of Steel Structures (SDSS 2022) held at the University of Aveiro, Portugal, on the 14-16 of September 2022. The paper "Numerical Investigation of Shear Connection in Cold-formed Steel-concrete Composite Beam" coauthored by Ivan Ćurković, Ivan Lukačević, Vlaho Žuvelek, Andrea Rajić has been presented by Assistant Professor Ivan Ćurković (https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/cepa.1827). The paper "Parametric Finite Element Analyses of Lightweight Cold-formed Steel-concrete Composite Floor Beams" coauthored by Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Ćurković, Andrea Rajić, Vlaho Žuvelek has been presented by Research Assistant Andrea Rajić (https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/cepa.1826).

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Author: Andrea Rajić

8th DOCTORAL SYMPOSIUM IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

A. Rajić presented the paper "**Analyses of LWT-FLOOR system bending resistance**" at the 8th Doctoral Syposium in Civil Enginnering which has been organised from 5-6 September 2022 at the Faculty if Civil Engineering, University of Zagreb, Croatia.

The symposium program can be found at the following link: https://master.grad.hr/phd-simpozij/2022/Program_Simpozij_2022-EN.pdf

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8th DOCTORAL SYPOSIUM IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

V. Žuvelek presented the paper **"Numerical study of shear connection in cold-formed steel-concrete composite beam"** at the 8th Doctoral Syposium in Civil Enginnering which has been organised from 5-6 September 2022 at the Faculty if Civil Enginnering, University of Zagreb, Croatia.

The symposium program can be found at the following link: https://master.grad.hr/phd-simpozij/2022/Program_Simpozij_2022-EN.pdf

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Best Student Presentation Award at CFSRC 2022 Colloquium

PhD student and Research Assistant Andrea Rajić received an award for best student presentation at CFSRC 2022 Colloquium for the presentation of the paper "Numerical study of cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system with demountable shear connectors". More info can be found here. Congratulations Andrea!!!!!

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Cold-Formed Steel Research Consortium Colloquium 2022 (CFSRC Colloquium 2022)

Three new research papers have been presented at the Cold-Formed Steel Research Consortium Colloquium 2022 (CFSRC Colloquium 2022) organised online at Johns Hopkins University by Thin-Walled Structure Group, Baltimore, USA, on the 17-19 of October 2022. The paper "Numerical study of cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system with demountable shear connectors", coauthored by Andrea Rajić, Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Ćurković and Vlaho Žuvelek has been presented by Research Assistant Andrea Rajić (https://jscholarship.library.jhu.edu/handle/1774.2/67728). The paper "Numerical study of the behavior of the bolted shear connection in cold-formed steel-concrete composite beam", coauthored by Vlaho Žuvelek, Ivan Ćurković, Ivan Lukačević and Andrea Rajić, has been presented by Research Assistant Vlaho Žuvelek (https://jscholarship.library.jhu.edu/handle/1774.2/67727). The paper "Numerical parametric study on corrugated web built-up beams with pinned end supports", coauthored by Ivan Lukačević and Viorel Ungureanu, has been presented by Assistant Professor Ivan Lukačević (https://jscholarship.library.jhu.edu/handle/1774.2/67697).

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Presentation of papers at 9th gathering of young researchers in the field of construction and related technical sciences called COMMON FOUNDATIONS 2022

V. Žuvelek and A. Rajić presented their papers at the 9th gathering of young researchers in the field of construction and related technical sciences called COMMON FOUNDATIONS 2022 which has been organised from 28-30 September 2022 in Osijek, Croatia.

3. Realised activities 2nd year

- D2. 2nd and 3rd Research group coordination meeting (O1 to O6)

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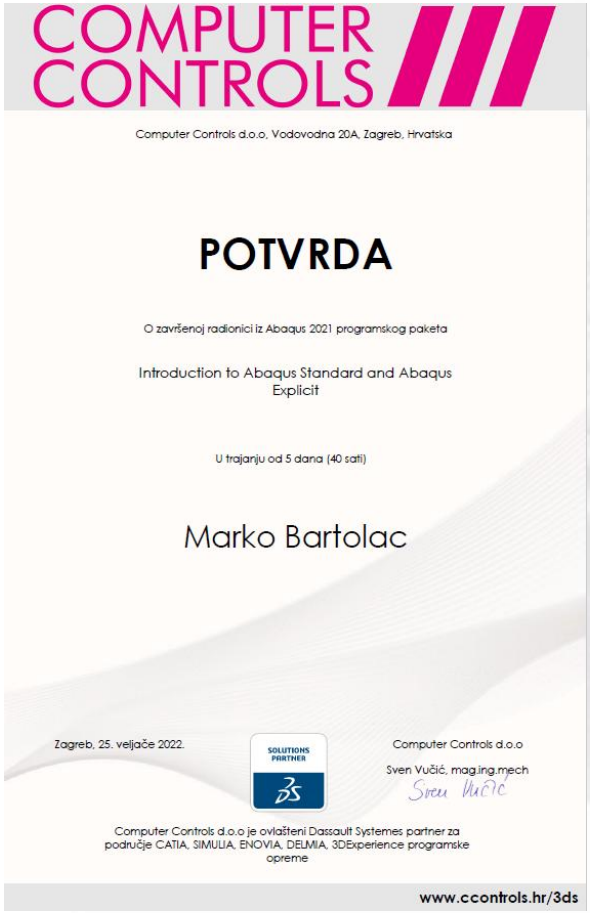

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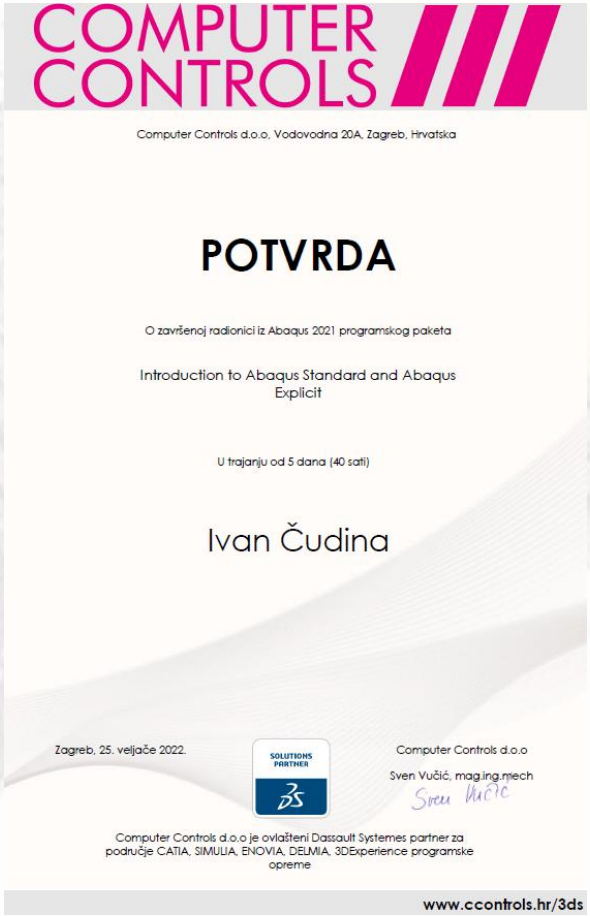

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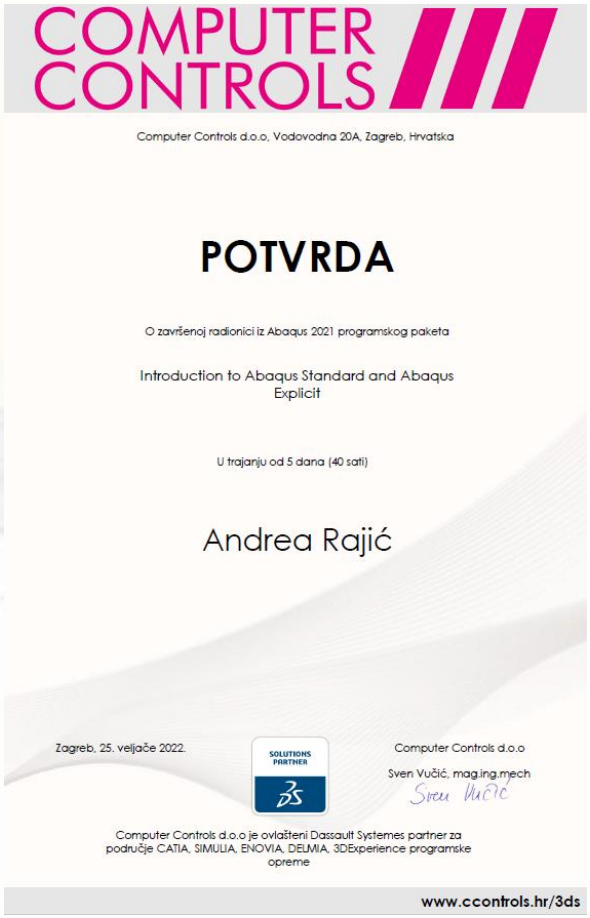

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- D6. Technical report with test results on materials- 160 (186) tests, see Application form (O2) – finished

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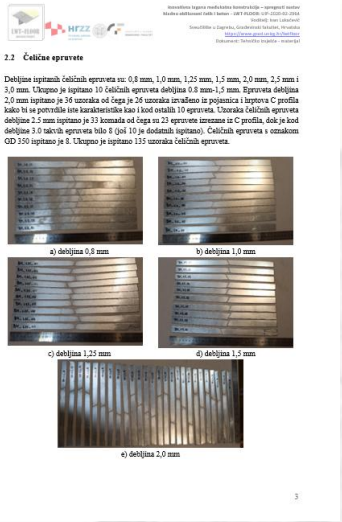
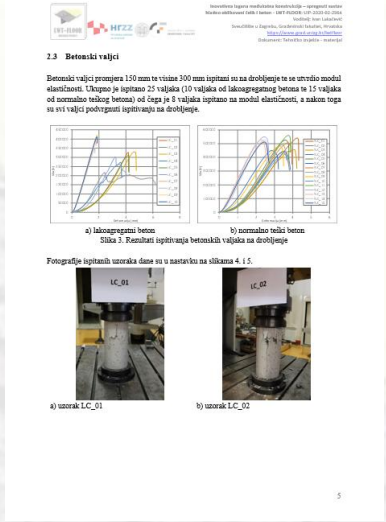


2.2 Čelične epruvete

Debljine ispitanih čeličnih epruveta su: 0,8 mm, 1,0 mm, 1,25 mm, 1,5 mm, 2,0 mm, 2,5 mm i 3,0 mm. Ukupno je ispitano 10 čeličnih epruveta debljina 0.8 mm-1,5 mm. Epruveta debljina 2,0 mm ispitano je 36 uzoraka od čega je 26 uzoraka izrađeno iz pojasnica i hrptova C profila kako bi se potvrdile iste karakteristike kao i kod ostalih 10 epruveta. Uzoraka čeličnih epruveta debljine 2.5 mm ispitano je 33 komada od čega su 23 epruvete izrezane iz C profila, dok je kod debljine 3.0 takvih epruveta bilo 8 (još 10 je dodatnih ispitano). Čeličnih epruveta s oznakom GD 350 ispitano je 8. Ukupno je ispitano 135 uzoraka čeličnih epruveta.

a) debljina 0,8 mm
b) debljina 1,0 mm
c) debljina 1,25 mm
d) debljina 1,5 mm
e) debljina 2,0 mm



2.3 Betonski valjci

Betonski valjci promjera 150 mm te visine 300 mm ispitani su na drobljenje te se utvrdio modul elastičnosti. Ukupno je ispitano 25 valjaka (10 valjaka od lakoagregatnog betona te 15 valjaka od normalno teškog betona) od čega je 8 valjaka ispitano na modul elastičnosti, a nakon toga su svi valjci podvrgnuti ispitivanju na drobljenje.

a) lakoagregatni beton
b) normalno teški beton
Slika 3. Rezultati ispitivanja betonskih valjaka na drobljenje

Fotografije ispitanih uzoraka dane su u nastavku na slikama 4. i 5.

a) uzorak LC_01
b) uzorak LC_02

2.4 Vijci

Ukupno je ispitano 11 vijaka od čega 6 vijaka M12 te 5 vijaka M16. Rezultati ispitivanja vijaka M12 prikazani su na slici 7, a vijaka M16 na slici 8.

Slika 7. Rezultat ispitivanja vijaka M12

2.5 Armaturne šipke

Ukupno je ispitano 5 šipki promjera 8 mm te dužine 500 mm. Na slici 11. prikazani su uzorci prije ispitivanja, a na slici 12. nakon ispitivanja. Dijagram na slici 13. prikazuje rezultat ispitivanja za šipke.

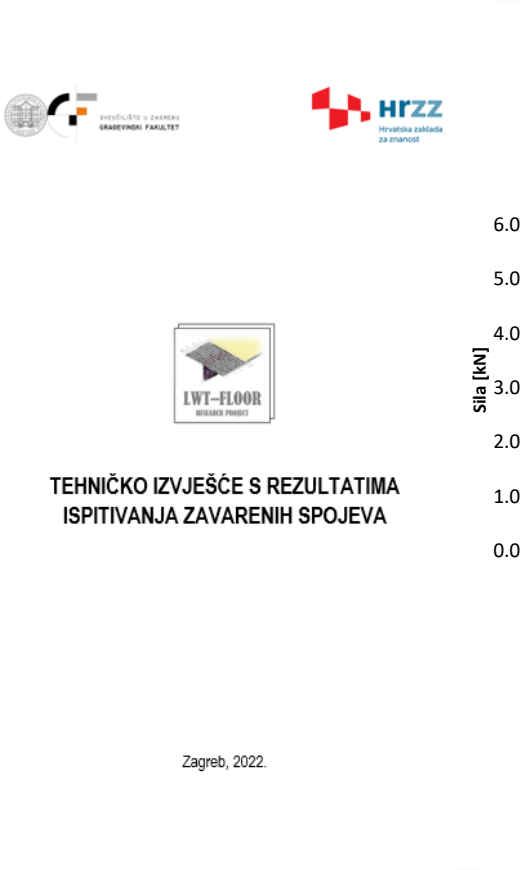
Slika 11. Uzorci za armaturnih šipki prije ispitivanja

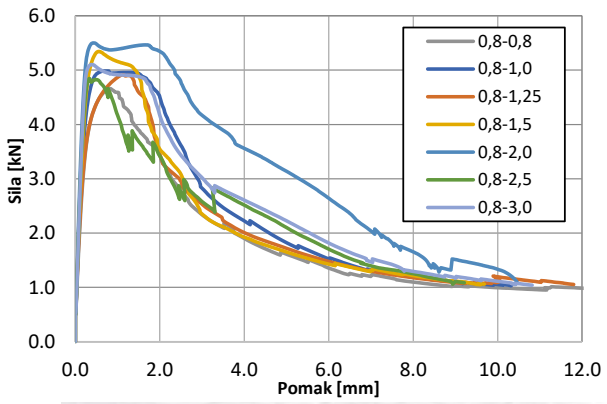
2.6 Armaturne mreže

Ukupno je ispitano 5 šipki izdvojenih iz armaturne mreže. Šipke su promjera 10 mm i dužine 500 mm. Na slici 14. prikazani su uzorci prije ispitivanja, a na slici 15. nakon ispitivanja. Dijagram na slici 16. prikazuje rezultat ispitivanja za šipke izdvojene iz armaturne mreže.

3. Realised activities 2nd year

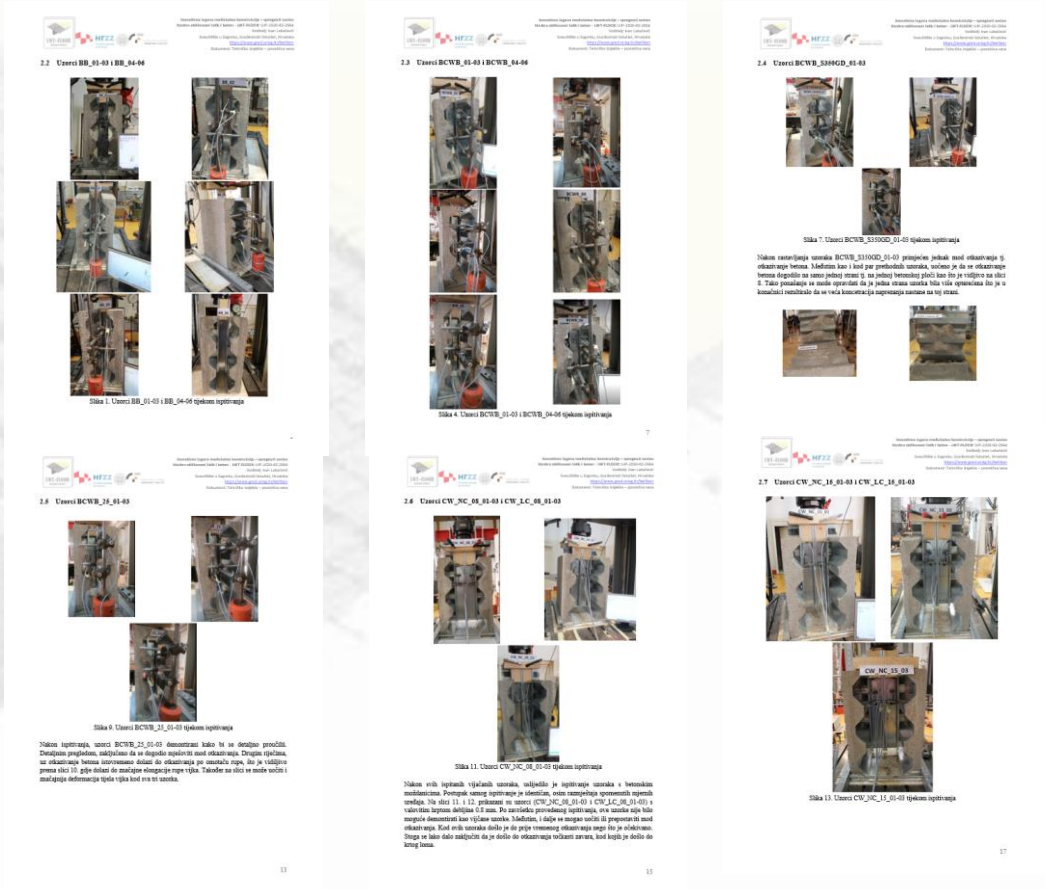
- D7. Technical report with test results on spot welded connections - 330 (558) tests, see Application form (O2)





3. Realised activities 2nd year

- D8. Technical report with results for tested types of shear connections - 30 tests, see Application form (O2)



3. Realised activities 2nd year

- D9. Technical report with interpretation of results for tested types of shear connections - 30 tests, see Application form (O2)

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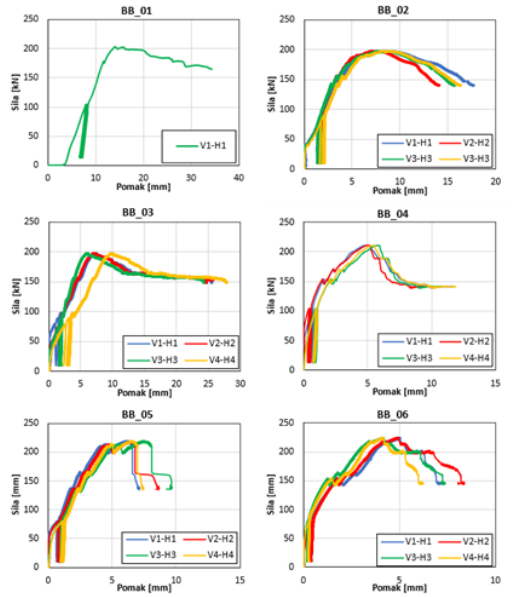
2.2 Rezultati



Slika 1. Rezultati ispitivanja u obliku krivulje sila-pomak za uzorke BB_01-03 i BB_04-06

Naime, uzorak BB_01 se smatra kao testni uzorak koji služio za konfiguraciju postavki ispitivanja. Međutim ukoliko promotre ostali uzorci BB_XX može se uočiti da su postigli zadovoljavajuću otpornost kao i duktilnost obzirom na tip sustava.

3. Realised activities 2nd year

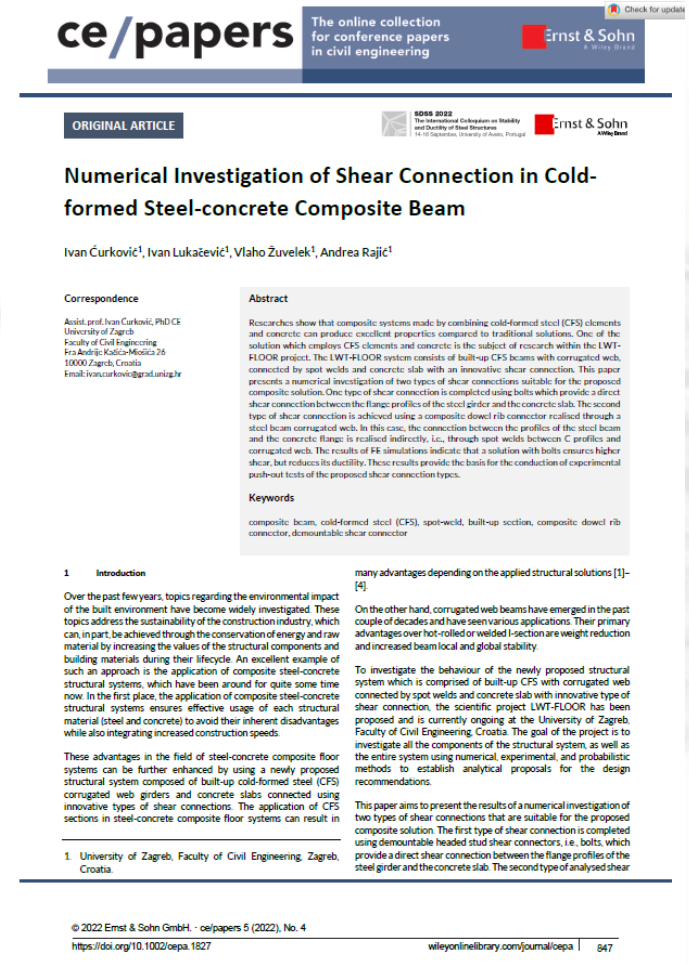
- D10. Fabrication of full-scale steel specimens – 3 specimens, see Application form (O3)

3. Realised activities 2nd year

- D11. Fabrication of full-scale composite specimens – 3 specimens, see Application form (O3)

3. Realised activities 2nd year

- D12. Presentation of one or two papers (SDSS 2022) (O2)



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SDSS 2022 The International Colloquium on Stability and Ductility of Steel Structures 14-16 September, University of Aveiro, Portugal

Numerical Investigation of Shear Connection in Cold-formed Steel-concrete Composite Beam

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Abstract

Researches show that composite systems made by combining cold-formed steel (CFS) elements and concrete can produce excellent properties compared to traditional solutions. One of the solution which employs CFS elements and concrete is the subject of research within the LWT-FLOOR project. The LWT-FLOOR system consists of built-up CFS beams with corrugated web, connected by spot welds and concrete slab with an innovative shear connection. This paper presents a numerical investigation of two types of shear connections suitable for the proposed composite solution. One type of shear connection is completed using bolts which provide a direct shear connection between the flange profiles of the steel girder and the concrete slab. The second type of shear connection is achieved using a composite dowel rib connector realised through a steel beam corrugated web. In this case, the connection between the profiles of the steel beam and the concrete flange is realised indirectly, i.e., through spot welds between C profiles and corrugated web. The results of FE simulations indicate that a solution with bolts ensures higher shear, but reduces its ductility. These results provide the basis for the conduction of experimental push-out tests of the proposed shear connection types.

Keywords

composite beam, cold-formed steel (CFS), spot-weld, built-up section, composite dowel rib connector, demountable shear connector

1 Introduction

Over the past few years, topics regarding the environmental impact of the built environment have become widely investigated. These topics address the sustainability of the construction industry, which can, in part, be achieved through the conservation of energy and raw material by increasing the values of the structural components and building materials during their lifecycle. An excellent example of such an approach is the application of composite steel-concrete structural systems, which have been around for quite some time now. In the first place, the application of composite steel-concrete structural systems ensures effective usage of each structural material (steel and concrete) to avoid their inherent disadvantages while also integrating increased construction speeds.

These advantages in the field of steel-concrete composite floor systems can be further enhanced by using a newly proposed structural system composed of built-up cold-formed steel (CFS) corrugated web girders and concrete slabs connected using innovative types of shear connections. The application of CFS sections in steel-concrete composite floor systems can result in many advantages depending on the applied structural solutions [1]–[4].

On the other hand, corrugated web beams have emerged in the past couple of decades and have seen various applications. Their primary advantages over hot-rolled or welded I-section are weight reduction and increased beam local and global stability.

To investigate the behaviour of the newly proposed structural system which is comprised of built-up CFS with corrugated web connected by spot welds and concrete slab with innovative type of shear connection, the scientific project LWT-FLOOR has been proposed and is currently ongoing at the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Croatia. The goal of the project is to investigate all the components of the structural system, as well as the entire system using numerical, experimental, and probabilistic methods to establish analytical proposals for the design recommendations.

This paper aims to present the results of a numerical investigation of two types of shear connections that are suitable for the proposed composite solution. The first type of shear connection is completed using demountable headed stud shear connectors, i.e., bolts, which provide a direct shear connection between the flange profiles of the steel girder and the concrete slab. The second type of analysed shear

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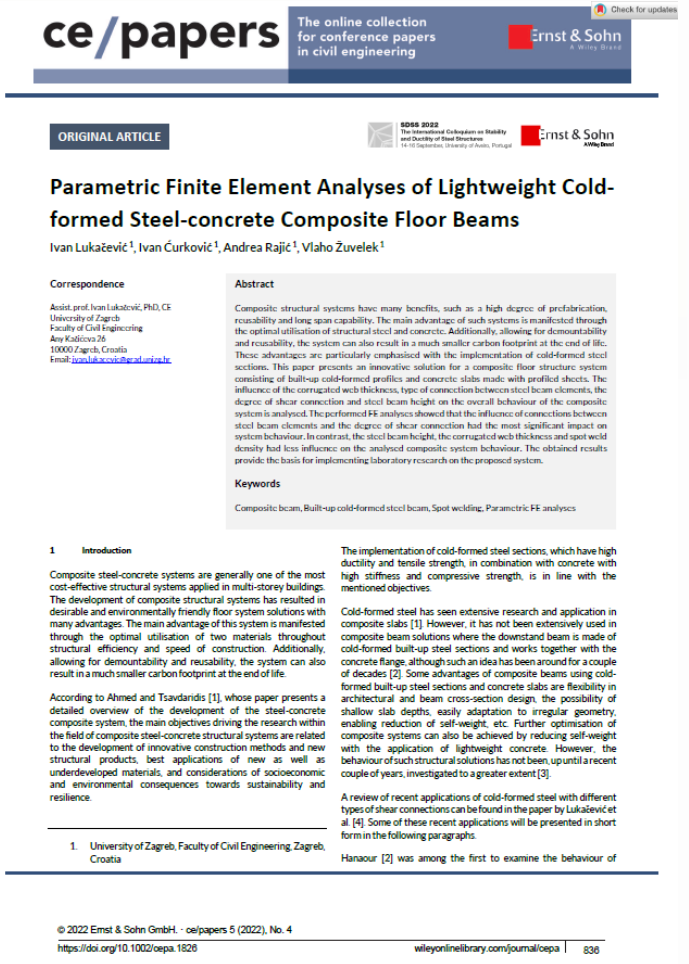

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Parametric Finite Element Analyses of Lightweight Cold-formed Steel-concrete Composite Floor Beams

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Abstract

Composite structural systems have many benefits, such as a high degree of prefabrication, reusability and long span capability. The main advantage of such systems is manifested through the optimal utilisation of structural steel and concrete. Additionally, allowing for demountability and reusability, the system can also result in a much smaller carbon footprint at the end of life. These advantages are particularly emphasised with the implementation of cold-formed steel sections. This paper presents an innovative solution for a composite floor structure system consisting of built-up cold-formed profiles and concrete slabs made with profiled sheets. The influence of the corrugated web thickness, type of connection between steel beam elements, the degree of shear connection and steel beam height on the overall behaviour of the composite system is analysed. The performed FE analyses showed that the influence of connections between steel beam elements and the degree of shear connection had the most significant impact on system behaviour. In contrast, the steel beam height, the corrugated web thickness and spot weld density had less influence on the analysed composite system behaviour. The obtained results provide the basis for implementing laboratory research on the proposed system.

Keywords

Composite beam, Built-up cold-formed steel beam, Spot welding, Parametric FE analyses

1 Introduction

Composite steel-concrete systems are generally one of the most cost-effective structural systems applied in multi-storey buildings. The development of composite structural systems has resulted in desirable and environmentally friendly floor system solutions with many advantages. The main advantage of this system is manifested through the optimal utilisation of two materials throughout structural efficiency and speed of construction. Additionally, allowing for demountability and reusability, the system can also result in a much smaller carbon footprint at the end of life.

According to Ahmed and Tsavdaridis [1], whose paper presents a detailed overview of the development of the steel-concrete composite system, the main objectives driving the research within the field of composite steel-concrete structural systems are related to the development of innovative construction methods and new structural products, best applications of new as well as underdeveloped materials, and considerations of socioeconomic and environmental consequences towards sustainability and resilience.

The implementation of cold-formed steel sections, which have high ductility and tensile strength, in combination with concrete with high stiffness and compressive strength, is in line with the mentioned objectives.

Cold-formed steel has seen extensive research and application in composite slabs [1]. However, it has not been extensively used in composite beam solutions where the downstand beam is made of cold-formed built-up steel sections and works together with the concrete flange, although such an idea has been around for a couple of decades [2]. Some advantages of composite beams using cold-formed built-up steel sections and concrete slabs are flexibility in architectural and beam cross-section design, the possibility of shallow slab depths, easily adaptation to irregular geometry, enabling reduction of self-weight, etc. Further optimisation of composite systems can also be achieved by reducing self-weight with the application of lightweight concrete. However, the behaviour of such structural solutions has not been, up until a recent couple of years, investigated to a greater extent [3].

A review of recent applications of cold-formed steel with different types of shear connections can be found in the paper by Lukačević et al. [4]. Some of these recent applications will be presented in short form in the following paragraphs.

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3. Realised activities 2nd year

- D13. 2nd Workshop organised (O1 to O2)

2. Radionica LWT-FLOOR
2nd Workshop LWT-FLOOR

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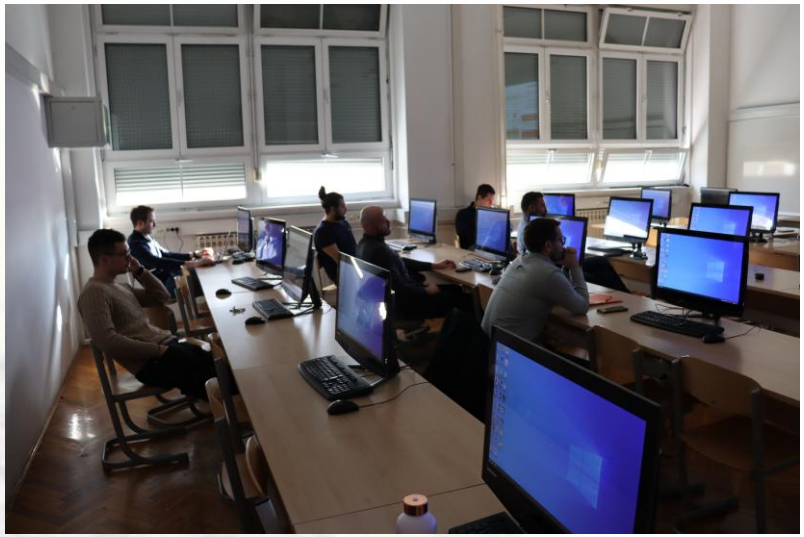
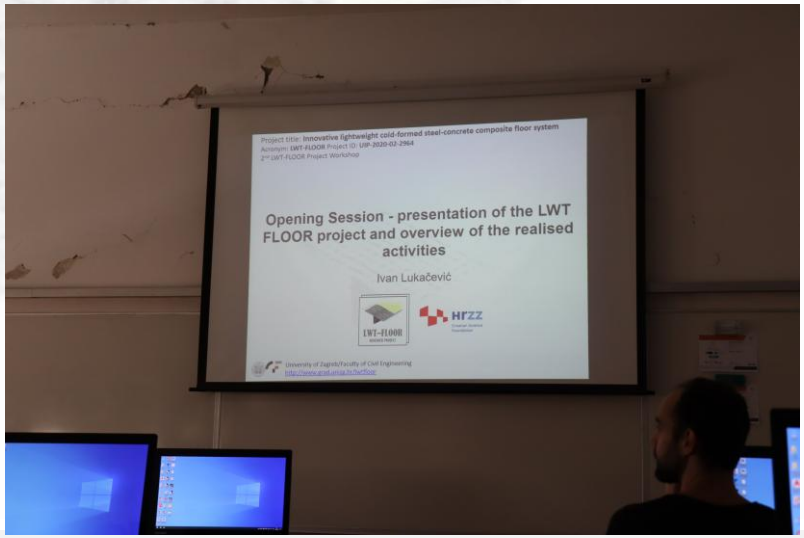


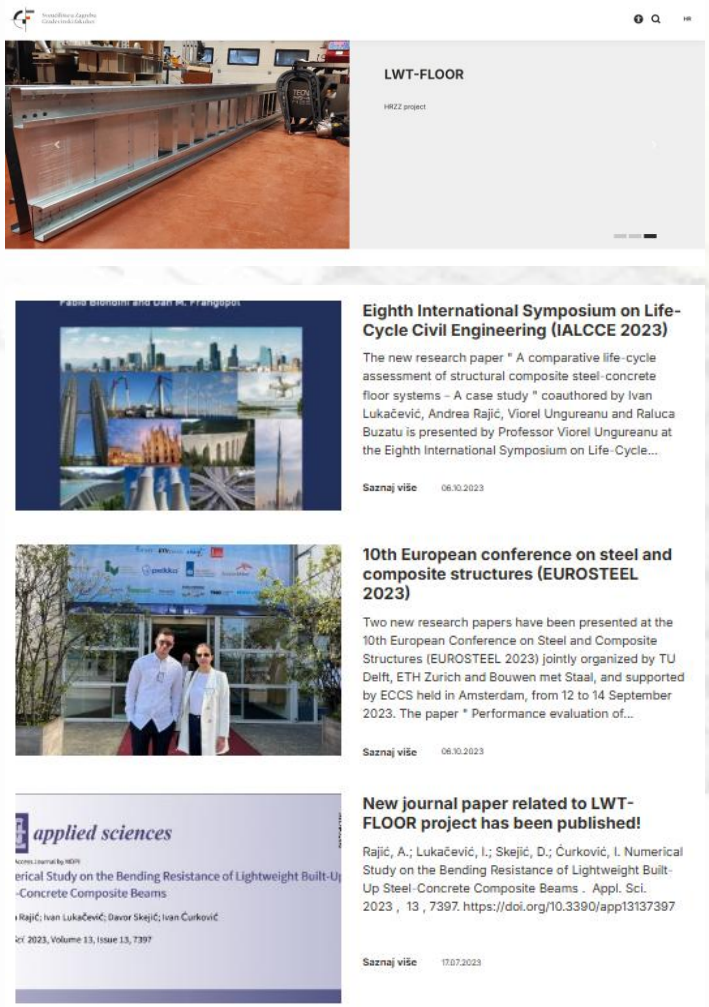


4. Realised activities 3rd year

3rd Project Period	
Results to be achieved	RG member
D1. Presentation of project on the web site (O1 to O6) – continuous job…	IL, AR
D2. 4th and 5th Research group coordination meeting (O1 to O6) – 21st of July, 7th of December	All
D3. Training for one group member - DAQ system (O2, O3) – finished	MB
D4. Technical report with results for full-scale steel specimens - 3 tests, see Application form (O3)– finished	IL, AR, MB, MP, FLB
D5. Technical report with results for full-scale composite floor system specimens - 3 tests, see Application form (O3) – finished	IL, AR, MB, IĆ, VŽ
D6. Technical report with interpretation of results for full-scale steel and composite floor system specimens (O3)– finished	IL, AR, MB, IĆ, VŽ
D7. Report with validation of FEM models for analysed types of shear connection (O2)– finished	IL, AR, MP, IĆ, VŽ, FLB
D8. Presentation of one or two papers (ICAEM 2023) and one or two papers (EUROSTEEL 2023) (O2, O3)–EUROSTEEL 2023, MBMST2023, IALCCE 2023 and MASE 2023	IL, AR, MB, IĆ, VŽ
D9. Journal Paper SCOPUS WoS Q1, Q2 (O2, O3)– 2 papers published	IL, AR, MB, IĆ, VŽ
D10. 3rd Workshop organised (O1 to O3) – 21.12.2023.	All

4. Realised activities 3rd year

- D1. Presentation of project on the web site (O1 to O6)



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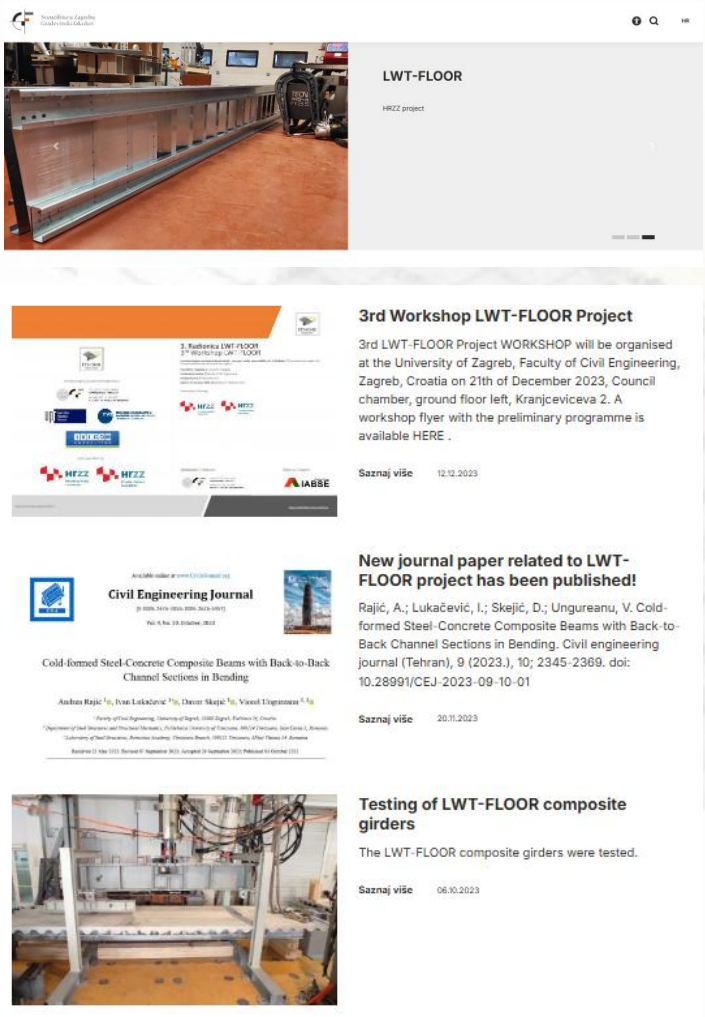

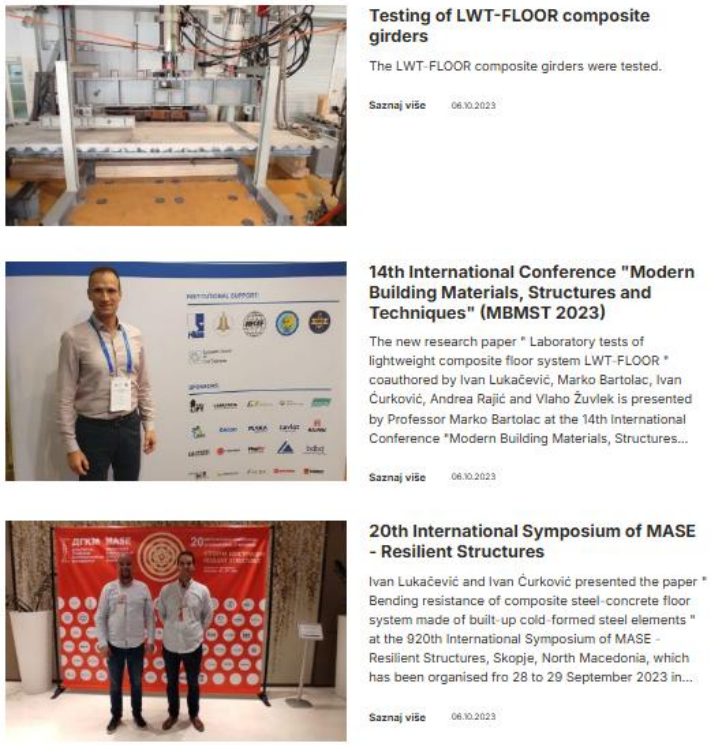

4. Realised activities 3rd year

- D2. 4th and 5th Research group coordination meeting (O1 to O6)

Project title: **Innovative lightweight cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system**
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4th research group meeting – 21.7.2023.

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Project title: **Innovative lightweight cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system**
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5th research group meeting – 7.12.2023.

4. Realised activities 3rd year

- D3. Training for one group member - DAQ system (O2, O3)

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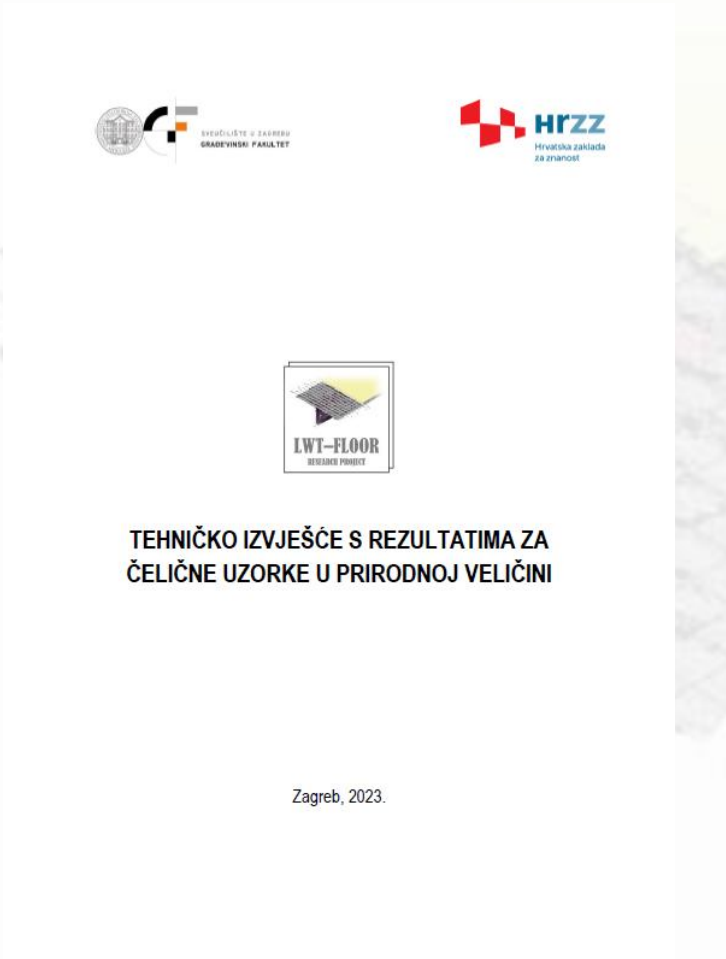
4. Realised activities 3rd year

- D4. Technical report with results for full-scale steel specimens - 3 tests, see Application form (O3)



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2.3 Čelični nosač SG2: 500_C20_CW10_SP10

Slika 7. Čelični nosač SG2: 500_C20_CW10_SP10 tijekom ispitivanja

Slika 8. Čelični nosač SG2: 500_C20_CW10_SP10– način otkazivanja

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4. Realised activities 3rd year

- D5. Technical report with results for full-scale composite floor system specimens - 3 tests, see Application form (O3)

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Zagreb, 2023.

2.2 Spregnuti nosač CG1: 400_C25_CW10_SP10

Slika 5. Spregnuti nosač CG1: 400_C25_CW10_SP10 tijekom ispitivanja

Slika 6. Spregnuti nosač CG1: 400_C25_CW10_SP10 – način otkazivanja

4. Realised activities 3rd year

- D6. Technical report with interpretation of results for full-scale steel and composite floor system specimens

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TEHNIČKO IZVJEŠĆE S INTERPRETACIJOM REZULTATA ZA ČELIČNE I SPREGNUTE UZORKE U PRIRODNOJ VELIČINI

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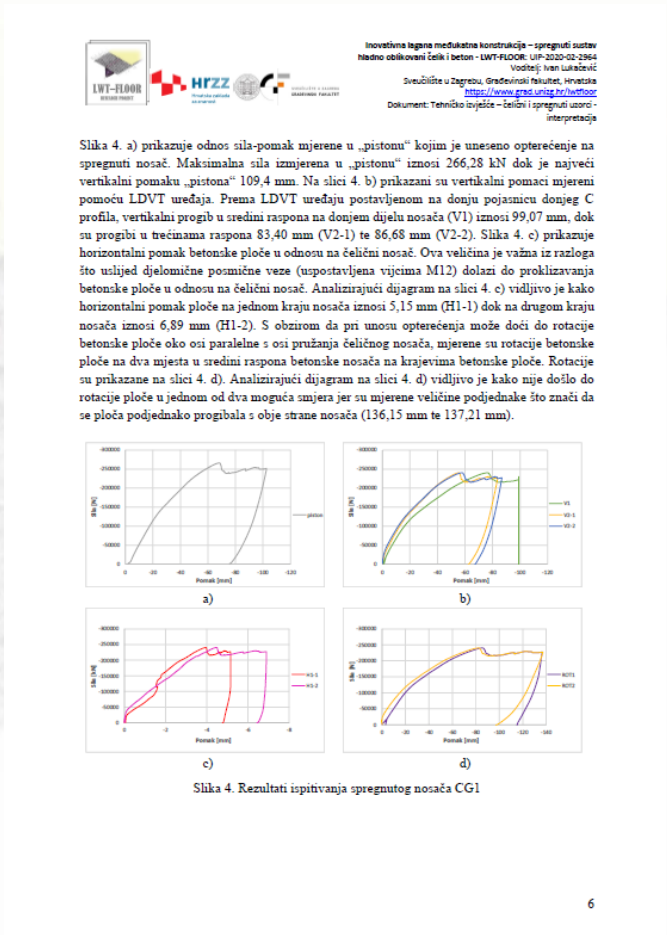

Slika 4. a) prikazuje odnos sila-pomak mjerene u „pistonu" kojim je uneseno opterećenje na spregnuti nosač. Maksimalna sila izmjerena u „pistonu" iznosi 266,28 kN dok je najveći vertikalni pomaku „pistona" 109,4 mm. Na slici 4. b) prikazani su vertikalni pomaci mjereni pomoću LDVT uređaja. Prema LDVT uređaju postavljenom na donju pojasnicu donjeg C profila, vertikalni progib u sredini raspona na donjem dijelu nosača (V1) iznosi 99,07 mm, dok su progibi u trećinama raspona 83,40 mm (V2-1) te 86,68 mm (V2-2). Slika 4. c) prikazuje horizontalni pomak betonske ploče u odnosu na čelični nosač. Ova veličina je važna iz razloga što uslijed djelomične posmične veze (uspostavljena vijcima M12) dolazi do proklizavanja betonske ploče u odnosu na čelični nosač. Analizirajući dijagram na slici 4. c) vidljivo je kako horizontalni pomak ploče na jednom kraju nosača iznosi 5,15 mm (H1-1) dok na drugom kraju nosača iznosi 6,89 mm (H1-2). S obzirom da pri unosu opterećenja može doći do rotacije betonske ploče oko osi paralelne s osi pružanja čeličnog nosača, mjerene su rotacije betonske ploče na dva mjesta u sredini raspona betonske nosača na krajevima betonske ploče. Rotacije su prikazane na slici 4. d). Analizirajući dijagram na slici 4. d) vidljivo je kako nije došlo do rotacije ploče u jednom od dva moguća smjera jer su mjerene veličine podjednake što znači da se ploča podjednako progibala s obje strane nosača (136,15 mm te 137,21 mm).

a) b) c) d)

Slika 4. Rezultati ispitivanja spregnutog nosača CG1

4. Realised activities 3rd year

- D7. Report with validation of FEM models for analysed types of shear connection (O2)

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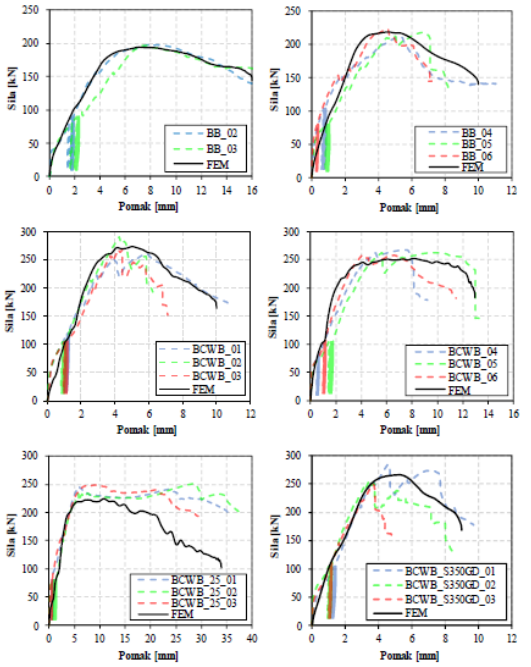


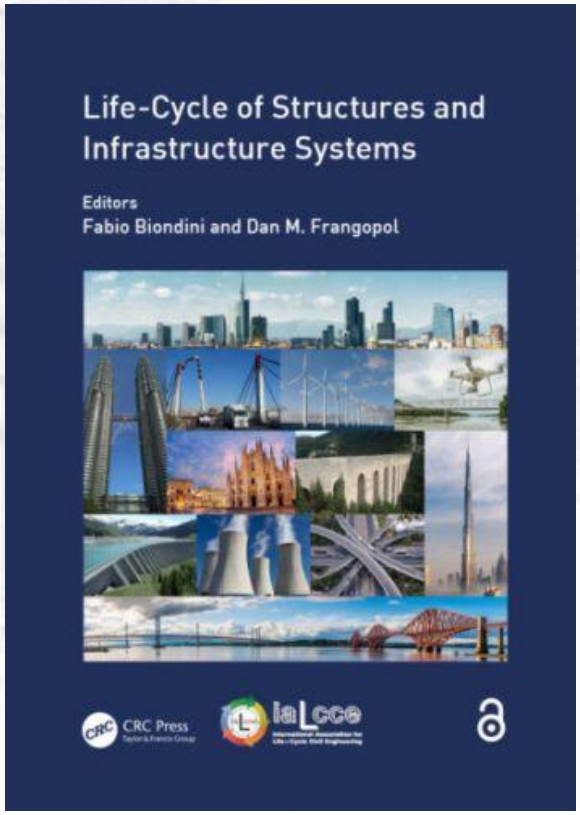
Slika 3. Usporedba numeričkih i eksperimentalnih rezultata iz serije BB i BCWB

4. Realised activities 3rd year

- D8. Presentation of one or two papers (ICAEM 2023) and one or two papers (EUROSTEEL 2023) (O2, O3)
- **10th European conference on steel and composite structures (EUROSTEEL 2023)**

4. Realised activities 3rd year

- D8. Presentation of one or two papers (ICAEM 2023) and one or two papers (EUROSTEEL 2023) (O2, O3)
- **Eighth International Symposium on Life-Cycle Civil Engineering (IALCCE 2023)**



4. Realised activities 3rd year

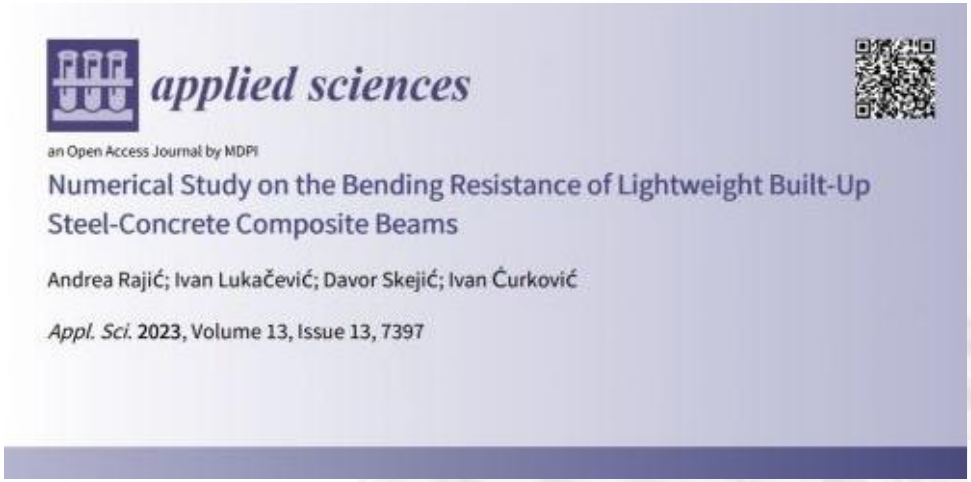
- D8. Presentation of one or two papers (ICAEM 2023) and one or two papers (EUROSTEEL 2023) (O2, O3)
- **20th International Symposium of MASE - Resilient Structures**

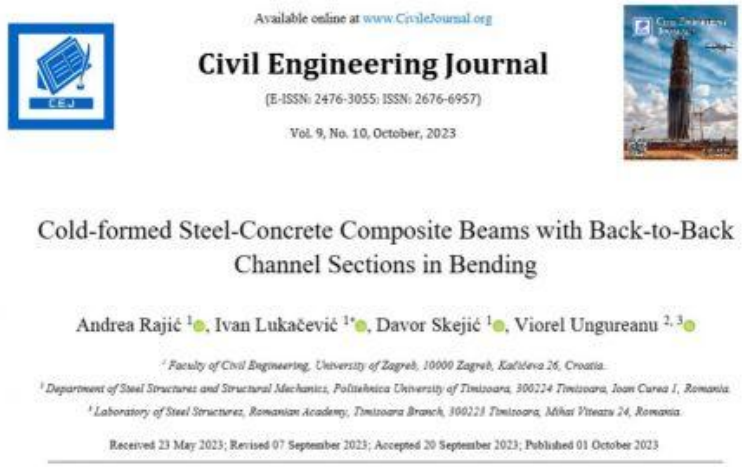
4. Realised activities 3rd year

- D8. Presentation of one or two papers (ICAEM 2023) and one or two papers (EUROSTEEL 2023) (O2, O3)
- **14th International Conference "Modern Building Materials, Structures and Techniques" (MBMST 2023)**

4. Realised activities 3rd year

- D9. Journal Paper SCOPUS WoS Q1, Q2 (O2, O3)





4. Realised activities 3rd year

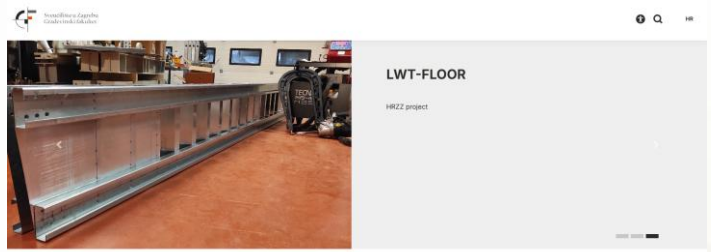
- D10. 3rd Workshop organised (O1 to O3)

5. Realised activities 4th year

4th Project Period	
Results to be achieved	RG member
D1. Presentation of project on the web site (O1 to O6) – continuous job…	IL, AR
D2. 6th and 7th Research group coordination meeting (O1 to O6) – 10th of Jully, 6th of December	All
D3. Report with validation of FEM models for different LWT-FLOOR system typologies (O4) - we are working on it	IL, AR, IĆ, VŽ, MP, FLB
D4. Report with results of numerical and probabilistic studies of specimens with larger spans (O4) - we are working on it	IL, AR, IĆ, IČ, MP, FLB, VŽ
D5. Recommendations for the development of constructive rules and design guidelines through life cycle analyses (O4) – we are working on it	IL, AR, IĆ, IČ, MP, FLB, VŽ
D6. Presentation of one or two papers (IABSE 2024) and one or two papers (ICSAS) 2024) (O4)– CESARE 2024 2 papers, ICSAS 2024 1 paper, IABSE 2024 2 papers	IL, ŠS, IL, IĆ, VŽ
D7. Journal Paper SCOPUS WoS Q1, Q2 (O3, O4)– 1 paper published	IL, AR, MB, MP, IĆ, IČ SŠ, VŽ, FLB
D8. 4th Workshop organised (O1 to O4, O6)–December 19th 2024	IL, AR, MB, IĆ, VŽ
D9. Projects for national funding prepared (O6)– Znanstveno-tehnoloska-suradnja-izmedu-Republike-Hrvatske-i-Republike-Srbije, NPOO-DOK-2023-10- Emanuel Krupa-Jurić	All

5. Realised activities 4th year

- D1. Presentation of project on the web site (O1 to O6)



1st Training School for COST Action CA21103 – Implementation of Circular Economy in the Built Environment – CircularB

Two members of our LWT-FLOOR research group, Vlaho Žuvelek and Andrea Rajić, participated in the CESARE'24 Conference and the 1st Training School for COST Action CA21103 – Implementation of Circular Economy in the Built Environment – CircularB – which took place in Timisoara, Romania, from the 29th to the...

Saznaj više 12.07.2024

10th International Conference on Steel and Aluminium Structures (ICSAS24)

The new research paper " Analysis of Demountable Shear Connections in Cold-formed Steel-Concrete Composite Beams: A Finite Element Approach Validated With Experimental Data " coauthored by Vlaho Žuvelek, Ivan Ćurković, Ivan Lukačević and Andrea Rajić is presented by Research assistant Vlaho Žuvelek at...

Saznaj više 12.07.2024

4th International Conference "Coordinating Engineering for Sustainability and Resilience" (CESARE 2024)

On the 4th International Conference "Coordinating Engineering for Sustainability and Resilience" CESARE 2024 which was held in Timisoara, Romania on May 29-31, 2024, two research papers of LWT-FLOOR group were presented. 1. Numerical investigation of double-skin cold-formed steel shear wall filled with...

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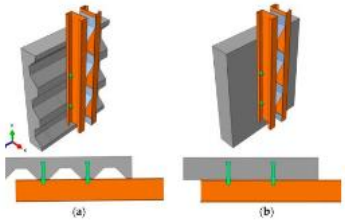


New journal paper related to LWT-FLOOR project has been published!

Žuvelek, V.; Ćurković, I.; Skejić, D.; Lukačević, I. Parametric Finite Element Analyses of Demountable Shear Connection in Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite Beams . Buildings 2024 , 14 , 324. https://doi.org/10.3390/buildings14020324

Saznaj više 07.05.2024

Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year!

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous 2024 year! LWT-FLOOR Project Research Group Members

Saznaj više 01.01.2024

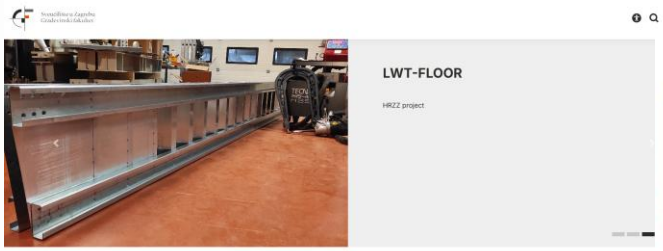
The third workshop of LWT-FLOOR project

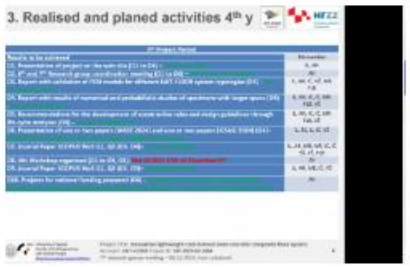
On December 21st, the third LWT-FLOOR project workshop was held. We thank all the presenters and participants of the workshop. The workshop presentations will be published on the project web page soon.

Saznaj više 01.01.2024

5. Realised activities 4th year

- D1. Presentation of project on the web site (O1 to O6)

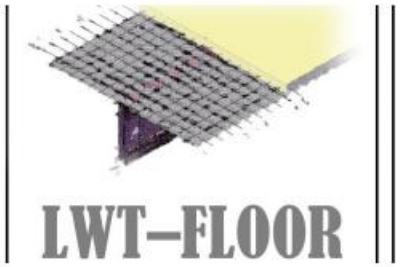




The 7th research group meeting

On 6th of December, the 7th online meeting of the research group was held, at which the achievements of the project so far were presented, as well as the plans for the continuation of the project implementation. The current members of the project were introduced to the newly employed doctoral student.

Saznaj više 08.12.2024



New research group member!

New research group member! PhD student Emanuel Krupa-Jurić became officially a member of the LWT-FLOOR research group. Congratulations, Emanuel!

Saznaj više 15.11.2024

4th LWT-FLOOR Project Workshop

The 4th LWT-FLOOR Project Workshop will be organised at the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Zagreb, Croatia, on 19 th of December 2024, Small Council chamber, Kranjceviceva 2. A workshop flyer with the preliminary programme is available HERE .

Saznaj više 08.12.2024

IABSE Congress 2024, San Jose, Costa Rica

LWT-FLOOR research group presented two papers at IABSE Congress 2024, San Jose, Costa Rica: 1. Advancements in Lightweight Cold-Formed Composite Steel-Concrete Floor Systems: Recent Findings from the LWT-FLOOR Project (Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Ćurković, Andrea Rajić, Vlaho Žuvelek) presented by associate...

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5. Realised activities 4th year

- D2. 6th and 7th Research group coordination meeting (O1 to O6)

5. Realised activities 4th year

- D3. Report with validation of FEM models for different LWT-FLOOR system typologies (O4)

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RESEARCH PROJECT

TEHNIČKO IZVJEŠĆE S VALIDACIJOM MKE MODELA ZA RAZLIČITE TIPOLOGIJE SUSTAVA LWT-FLOOR

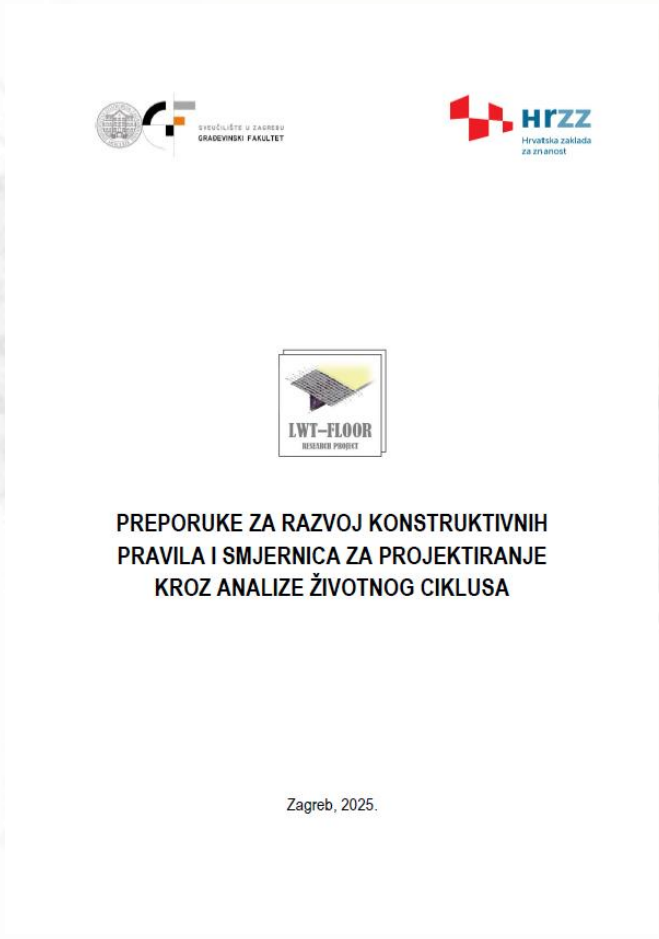
Zagreb, 2025.

5. Realised activities 4th year

- D4. Report with results of numerical and probabilistic studies of specimens with larger spans (O4)

5. Realised activities 4th year

- D5. Recommendations for the development of constructive rules and design guidelines through life cycle analyses (O4)



5. Realised activities 4th year

- D6. Presentation of one or two papers (IABSE 2024) and one or two papers (ICSAS) 2024) (O4)
- **4th International Conference "Coordinating Engineering for Sustainability and Resilience" (CESARE 2024)**

5. Realised activities 4th year

- D6. Presentation of one or two papers (IABSE 2024) and one or two papers (ICSAS) 2024) (O4)
- **10th International Conference on Steel and Aluminium Structures (ICSAS24), Rio de Janeiro, Brasil**

5. Realised activities 4th year

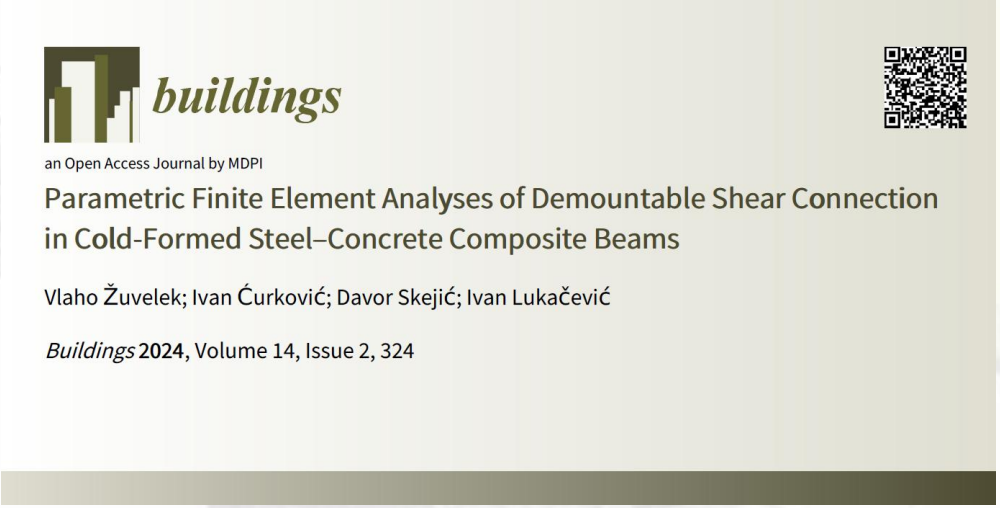
- D6. Presentation of one or two papers (IABSE 2024) and one or two papers (ICSAS) 2024) (O4)
- **1st Training School for COST Action CA21103 – Implementation of Circular Economy in the Built Environment – CircularB**

5. Realised activities 4th year

- D6. Presentation of one or two papers (IABSE 2024) and one or two papers (ICSAS) 2024) (O4)
- **IABSE Congress 2024, San Jose, Costa Rica**

5. Realised activities 4th year

- D7. Journal Paper SCOPUS WoS Q1, Q2 (O3, O4)



5. Realised activities 4th year

- D8. 4th Workshop organised (O1 to O4, O6)

5. Realised activities 4th year

- D9. Projects for national funding prepared (O6)

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Razvoj karijera mladih istraživača - izobrazba novih doktora znanosti

(DOK-2023-10)

Obrazac A[1] - Prijedlog mentora

Rok za prijavu: 31.10.2023.

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Znanstveno polje kandidata za mentora	Građevinarstvo
Naziv doktorskog studija koji će asistent upisati i ustanova na kojoj se provodi	Poslijediplomski sveučilišni studij Doktorski studij, smjer Inženjerske konstrukcije, Sveučilište u Zagrebu, Građevinski fakultet
Naziv znanstvenog projekta[2] u koji je uključen mentor i u okviru kojeg će asistent provoditi istraživanje	Inovativna lagana međukatna konstrukcija – spregnuti sustav hladno oblikovani čelik i beton – LWT-FLOOR, UIP-2020-02-2964
Organizacija/e na kojoj se projekt provodi	Sveučilište u Zagrebu, Građevinski fakultet
Izvor financiranja projekta	Hrvatska zaklada za znanost
Iznos na koji je projekt ugovoren[3]	1.674.300,00
Status mentora na projektu (voditelj/suradnik)	Voditelj
Datum početka i završetka projekta	11.01.2021-10.01.2026.

5. Realised activities 4th year

- D9. Projects for national funding prepared (O6)

ZNANSTVENO-TEHNOLOŠKA SURADNJA SA SRBIJOM

1. NAZIV PROJEKTA

NAZIV PROJEKTA NA HRVATSKOME JEZIKU	Razvoj demontažnih spregnutih međukatnih konstrukcija kao doprinos zaštiti životne sredine
NAZIV PROJEKTA NA ENGLESKOME JEZIKU	Development of demountable composite floor structures to contribute to environmental protection
ZNANSTVENO PODRUČJE – POLJE - GRANA	Tehničke znanosti-Građevinarstvo-Nosive konstrukcije
VRSTA ISTRAŽIVANJA	☐ TEMELJNO ☐ PRIMIJENJENO ☒ RAZVOJNO
TRAJANJE PROJEKTA	01.05.2024. do 30.04.2026.

1. a. – AKTIVAN PROJEKT (koji osigurava temeljno financiranje) - navesti naziv i datum završetka projekta

Hrvatska zaklada za znanost a) voditelj b) suradnik uz suglasnost voditelja	Inovativna lagana međukatna konstrukcija – spregnuti sustav hladno oblikovani čelik i beton, LWT-FLOOR, UIP-2020-02-2964, 10.01.2026.
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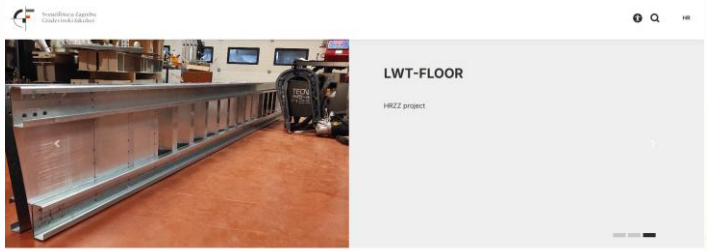
MINISTARSTVO ZNANOSTI I OBRAZOVANJA 1/6

6. Realised activities 5th year

5th Project Period	
Results to be achieved	RG member
D1. Presentation of project on the web site (O1 to O6) – continuous job…	IL, AR
D2. 8th and 9th Research group coordination meeting (O1 to O6) - 16th of July, 9th today☺	All
D3. Analytical proposal for design recommendations for steel simply supported girders (O5) - we are working on it	IL, AR, IĆ, VŽ, EKJ
D4. Analytical proposal for design recommendations for composite LWT-FLOOR system elements (O5) - we are working on it	IL, AR, IĆ, VŽ, EKJ
D5. Recommendations for design and fabrication prepared (O5) – we are working on it	IL, AR, IĆ, VŽ, EKJ
D6. Presentation of one or two papers (SDSS 2025 and on IABSE 2025 conferences) (O5) – Zajednički temelji 2025 1 paper, PhD Symposium 1 paper, IABSE 2025 1 paper, SDSS 2025 3 papers	IL, IĆ, AR, EKJ
D7. Journal Paper SCOPUS WoS Q1, Q2 (O3, O4)– 1 paper published (2 papers under review)	IL, AR, IĆ, VŽ, MB
D8. 5th Workshop organised (O1 to O4, O6)– Today☺	All
D9. Projects for international funding prepared (O6) - HORIZON-FASTER, INSTITUCIONALNI ISTRAŽIVAČKI PROJEKT –CWBframe	All

6. Realised activities 5th year

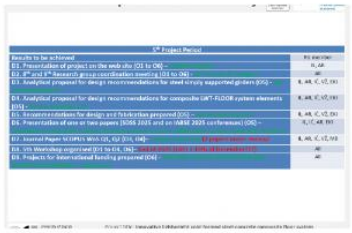
- D1. Presentation of project on the web site (O1 to O6)



International Colloquium on Stability and Ductility of Steel Structures (SDSS 2025), Barcelona, Spain

The LWT-FLOOR research group presented three papers: 1. Finite Element Approach on the Behaviour of the Demountable Shear Connection in Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite Beams (Vlaho Žuvelek, Ivan Ćurković, Ivan Lukačević, Andrea Rajić) presented by associate professor Ivan Ćurković 2. Performance of...

Saznaj više 19.09.2025



9th research group meeting

On 5th December, the 9th online meeting of the research group was held, during which the project's achievements to date were presented, along with plans for the continuation of the project.

Saznaj više 08.12.2025

IABSE Congress 2025, Ghent, Belgium

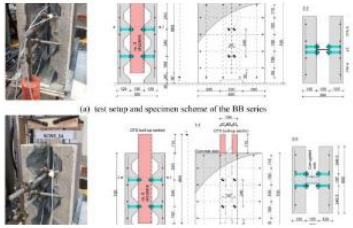
LWT-FLOOR research group member presented one paper at the IABSE Congress 2025, Ghent, Belgium: Parametric sensitivity analysis on bending resistance of built-up cold-formed steel-concrete composite system (Andrea Rajić , Ivan Lukačević , Ivan Ćurković , Vlaho Žuvelek) presented by research assistant Andrea...

Saznaj više 19.09.2025

Andrea Rajić has successfully defended PhD thesis

✨ The LWT-FLOOR research group is delighted to share that our member Andrea Rajić has successfully defended her PhD thesis: 📖 Reliability of composite steel-concrete floor system made of built-up cold-formed steel elements 👏 Our congratulations go to Andrea on this remarkable achievement! The...

Saznaj više 19.09.2025



New journal paper related to LWT-FLOOR project has been published!

Žuvelek, V.; Ćurković, I.; Lukačević, I.; Rajić, A.; Analysis of demountable shear connections in cold-formed steel-concrete composite beams: A finite element approach validated with experimental data , Thin-Walled Structures, Volume 214, September 2025, 113327, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tws.2025.113327

Saznaj više 08.05.2025

Vlaho Žuvelek has successfully defended PhD thesis

✨LWT-FLOOR research group is proud to announce that our member Vlaho Žuvelek has successfully defended their PhD thesis: 📖 Reliability of shear connection in cold-formed steel-concrete composite system 👏 We warmly congratulate Vlaho on this great achievement! This dissertation was carried out under...

Saznaj više 19.09.2025

6. Realised activities 4th year

- D2. 8th and 9th Research group coordination meeting (O1 to O6)

Project title: **Innovative lightweight cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system**
Acronym: **LWT-FLOOR** Project ID: **UIP-2020-02-2964**
6th research group meeting – 10.07.2024.

LWT-FLOOR Project
Innovative lightweight cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system

Ivan Lukačević

University of Zagreb/Faculty of Civil Engineering
http://www.grad.unizg.hr/lwtfloor

Project title: **Innovative lightweight cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system**
Acronym: **LWT-FLOOR** Project ID: **UIP-2020-02-2964**
7th research group meeting – 06.12.2024.

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6. Realised activities 5th year

- D3. Analytical proposal for design recommendations for steel simply supported girders (O5)
- D4. Analytical proposal for design recommendations for composite LWT-FLOOR system elements (O5)
- D5. Recommendations for design and fabrication prepared (O5)
- we are working on reports…

6. Realised activities 5th year

- D6. Presentation of one or two papers (SDSS 2025 and on IABSE 2025 conferences) (O5)
- **IABSE Congress 2025, Ghent, Belgium**

6. Realised activities 5th year

- D6. Presentation of one or two papers (SDSS 2025 and on IABSE 2025 conferences) (O5)
- **International Colloquium on Stability and Ductility of Steel Structures (SDSS 2025), Barcelona, Spain**

6. Realised activities 5th year

- D7. Journal Paper SCOPUS WoS Q1, Q2 (O3, O4)

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Thin-Walled Structures

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Analysis of demountable shear connections in cold-formed steel-concrete composite beams: A finite element approach validated with experimental data

Vlaho Žuvelek ✉, Ivan Ćurković ✉, Ivan Lukačević ✉, Andrea Rajić ✉

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6. Realised activities 5th year

- D8. 5th Workshop organised (O1 to O4, O6)

5. Radionica LWT-FLOOR
5th Workshop LWT-FLOOR

Inovativna lagana međukatna konstrukcija – spregnuti sustav hladno oblikovani čelik i beton // Innovative lightweight cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system

Sveučilište u Zagrebu // University of Zagreb
Građevinski fakultet // Faculty of Civil Engineering
Kačićeva 26 // Kačićeva 26
Zagreb, 18.-19. prosinca 2025. // Zagreb, 18th-19th December 2025

Financiranje: // Funding:

Organizator // Organizer

Potpora // Support

Projekt LWT-FLOOR povezuje najnovije spoznaje u novoj, brzoj i produktivnoj tehnologiji točkastog zavarivanja i inovativna rješenja sprezanja hladno oblikovanog čelika i betona predlažući novu metodu izgradnje kao kombinaciju sastavljenih hladno oblikovanih čeličnih elemenata i betonske ploče. Ovaj ekonomičan i održiv sustav lagane međukatne konstrukcije nudi vitalne prednosti u smislu visokog stupnja predgotovljenosti, mogućnosti ponovne upotrebe i mogućih velikih raspona. Glavni cilj projekta je uspostaviti novu istraživačku grupu koja će posjedovati znanje i opremu za istraživanje novog sustava međukatne konstrukcije s fokusiranim znanstvenim interesima u potrazi za konkurentnijim nacionalnim i međunarodnim financiranjem. Kako bi se istražile i vrednovale komponente i sustav u cjelini, planira se opsežno eksperimentalno, numeričko i probabilističko istraživanje. U okviru istraživanja posebna pozornost će biti posvećena točkastim zavarima i inovativnim vrstama posmične veze s mogućnošću projektiranja za demontažu i potencijalom za buduće ponovne uporabe ili recikliranja na kraju životnog vijeka uključujući analize životnog ciklusa. Kalibrirani numerički modeli temeljeni na eksperimentalnim ispitivanjima sustava i njegovih komponenata omogućit će, uz primjenu probabilističkih metoda, procjenu prikladnosti sustava za veće raspone. Projekt će donijeti nove vještine istraživačkoj grupi i istraživačkoj instituciji, a pored toga obranit će se i dvije disertacije te objaviti znanstveni radovi u najcitiranijim časopisima. Ovaj inovativni projekt, koji osigurava čvrste veze između akademske zajednice i industrije, povećat će mobilnost i ojačati dugoročnu suradnju između dva sektora. Probabilističke analize i procjene ponašanja predloženog rješenja u životnom ciklusu međukatne konstrukcije bit će od ključnog značaja za pripremu prvog analitičkog prijedloga za izradu preporuka za projektiranje ovog novog sustava u okviru europskih norma.

The LWT-FLOOR project integrates state-of-the-art knowledge in new, fast and productive spot-welding technology and innovative cold-formed steel-concrete composite solutions proposing a new construction method as a combination of built-up cold-formed steel members and cast-in-place concrete slab. This cost-effective and sustainable floor system offers vital benefits in terms of a high degree of prefabrication, reusability and long spanning capability. The main objective of the project is to establish a new research group that will possess knowledge and equipment for research on new composite floor system with focused scientific interests in a search for more competitive national and international funding. In order to investigate and validate components and proposed system, the extensive experimental, numerical and probabilistic research is planned. Within research, a particular focus will be given to spot-welding connections and innovative types of shear connections with possibility of design for demountability and the potential of re-use or recycling at the end of design life through the application of lifecycle analyses. Calibrated and validated numerical models based on experimental tests of the system and its components will allow, through the application of probabilistic methods, evaluation of the system suitability for larger spans. The project will bring out new skills to the research group and the research institution, besides which two dissertations will be defended and scientific papers in most cited journals will be published. This innovative project, providing strong connections between the scientific community and industry, will increase the mobility as well as strengthen long-term cooperation between the two sectors. Probabilistic analyses and life cycle performance evaluation of the proposed floor system solution will be crucial for establishing the first analytical proposal for design recommendations of this new system within the European standards.

PROGRAM // PROGRAMME

1. dan, soba 121, 1. kat glavna zgrada //1st day, room 121, 1st floor main building

14h00 – 14h10 REGISTRACIJA // REGISTRATION
14h10 – 14h15 OTVARANJE // OPPENING
14h15 – 15h00 Daniel-Viorel Ungureanu
Najnovija dostignuća u sastavljenim čeličnim elementima od hladno oblikovanih profila s valovitim hrptom
Recent Developments in Built-Up Cold-Formed Steel Components with Corrugated Webs
15h00 – 15h30 DISKUSIJA // DISCUSSION

2. dan, soba 215, 2. kat glavna zgrada //2nd day, room 215, 2nd floor main building

11h00 – 11h10 REGISTRACIJA // REGISTRATION
11h10 – 12h00 Ivan Lukačević
LWT-FLOOR projekt - pregled realiziranih aktivnosti
LWT-FLOOR project - overview of the realised activities
12h00 – 12h20 Ivan Čurković, Ivan Lukačević, Vlaho Žuvelek, Andrea Rajić, Marko Bartolac
Eksperimentalno istraživanje ponašanja demontažnog posmičnog spoja u spregnutim nosačima od hladnooblikovanog čelika i betona
Experimental Investigation on the Behaviour of the Demountable Shear Connection in Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite Beams
12h20 – 12h40 Vlaho Žuvelek, Ivan Čurković, Ivan Lukačević, Andrea Rajić
Pristup metodom konačnih elemenata ponašanju demontažnog posmičnog spoja u spregnutim nosačima od hladnooblikovanog čelika i betona
Finite Element Approach on the Behaviour of the Demountable Shear Connection in Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite Beams
12h40 – 13h00 Vlaho Žuvelek, Ivan Čurković
Pouzdanost posmične veze kod spregnutog sustava izvedenog od hladno oblikovanoga čelika i betona – sažetak doktorskog rada
Reliability of Shear Connection in Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite System – PhD summary
13h00 – 13h30 STANKA // BREAK
13h30 – 13h50 Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Čurković, Andrea Rajić, Vlaho Žuvelek, Marko Bartolac
Ponašanje LWT-FLOOR spregnutih međukatnih nosača: eksperimentalno ispitivanje
Performance of LWT-FLOOR Steel-Concrete Composite Floor Beams: Full-Scale Experimental Study
13h50 – 14h10 Andrea Rajić, Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Čurković, Vlaho Žuvelek
Parametarska analiza osjetljivosti otpornosti na savijanje spregnutog sustava od sastavljenih hladno oblikovanih čeličnih profila i betona
Parametric Sensitivity Analysis on Bending Resistance of Built-Up Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite System
14h10 – 14h30 Andrea Rajić, Ivan Lukačević
Pouzdanost spregnutoga međukatnoga sustava čelik-beton izvedenoga od hladno oblikovanih sastavljenih čeličnih elemenata – sažetak doktorskog rada
Reliability of Composite Steel-Concrete Floor System Made of Built-Up Cold-Formed Steel Elements – PhD summary
14h30 –14h50 Emanuel Krupa-Jurić, Ivan Lukačević
Primjena sastavljenih nosača od hladno oblikovanih čeličnih profila s valovitim hrptom
Application of Built-Up Beams Made of Cold-Formed Steel Profiles with Corrugated Webs
14h50 – 15h00 ZATVARANJE RADIONICE // CLOSING OF WORKSHOP

6. Realised activities 5th year

- D9. Projects for international funding prepared (O6)

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Proposal ID **SEP-211126249**

Acronym **FASTER**

1 - General information

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Proposal title: Flexible Adaptable Modular Structures for Transformative Earth-centric Renovation

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Duration in months: 48

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Free keywords: *Reclaimed & Recycled Materials; Reversible structures; Renovation and Retrofitting; Adaptable Building Solutions; Stakeholder Engagement; Service Life Extension; Structural Health Monitoring*

Abstract *

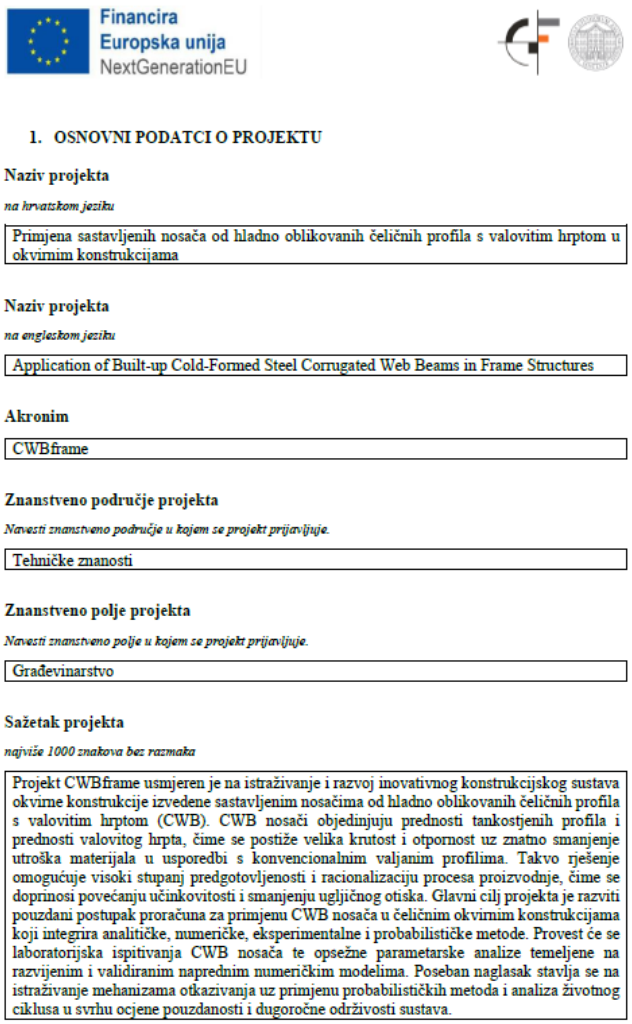
The project "Flexible Adaptable Modular Structures for Transformative Earth-centric Renovation" (FASTER) introduces a next-generation approach to construction and renovation, built on the principles of the circular economy. . Key objectives include developing innovative structural elements and building components from sustainable and recycled materials, incorporating reversible connections to enhance deconstruction and reuse, and using digital tools like Digital Twin and BIM for lifecycle management.

By developing modular building components—ranging from 1D load-bearing elements (e.g., beams, columns) to 2D panels (e.g., walls, facades, floors)—FASTER empowers architects, engineers, and contractors to assemble and disassemble structures quickly, safely, and with minimal waste.
Drawing on recycled and CO2-storing materials (timber, steel, concrete, and masonry) and innovative connection methods, the project extends the service life of buildings, making them more adaptable to changing uses and future expansions. Through robust structural health monitoring enabled by digital twins and IoT sensors, FASTER ensures that modular elements remain reliable over time—facilitating early detection of defects and preventative maintenance.

FASTER leverages a multi-disciplinary consortium comprising academic institutions, industry partners, and regional stakeholders. Together, they will produce novel design guidelines, conduct life-cycle assessments, and validate the performance of pilot projects in diverse European climates—involving renovation scenarios. Beyond technical innovations, FASTER engages with local and regional value chains, providing training to the workforce and facilitating participatory approaches that strengthen social acceptance. The project's ambition is to reshape the construction sector: reducing material consumption, cutting carbon emissions, and establishing a replicable blueprint for future-ready, modular and reversible buildings across Europe.

6. Realised activities 5th year

- D9. Projects for international funding prepared (O6)



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1. OSNOVNI PODATCI O PROJEKTU

Naziv projekta

na hrvatskom jeziku

Primjena sastavljenih nosača od hladno oblikovanih čeličnih profila s valovitim hrptom u okvirnim konstrukcijama

Naziv projekta

na engleskom jeziku

Application of Built-up Cold-Formed Steel Corrugated Web Beams in Frame Structures

Akronim

CWBframe

Znanstveno područje projekta

Navesti znanstveno područje u kojem se projekt prijavljuje.

Tehničke znanosti

Znanstveno polje projekta

Navesti znanstveno polje u kojem se projekt prijavljuje.

Građevinarstvo

Sažetak projekta

najviše 1000 znakova bez razmaka

Projekt CWBframe usmjeren je na istraživanje i razvoj inovativnog konstrukcijskog sustava okvirne konstrukcije izvedene sastavljenim nosačima od hladno oblikovanih čeličnih profila s valovitim hrptom (CWB). CWB nosači objedinjuju prednosti tankostjenih profila i prednosti valovitog hrpta, čime se postiže velika krutost i otpornost uz znatno smanjenje utroška materijala u usporedbi s konvencionalnim valjanim profilima. Takvo rješenje omogućuje visoki stupanj predgotovljenosti i racionalizaciju procesa proizvodnje, čime se doprinosi povećanju učinkovitosti i smanjenju ugljičnog otiska. Glavni cilj projekta je razviti pouzdani postupak proračuna za primjenu CWB nosača u čeličnim okvirnim konstrukcijama koji integrira analitičke, numeričke, eksperimentalne i probabilističke metode. Provest će se laboratorijska ispitivanja CWB nosača te opsežne parametarske analize temeljene na razvijenim i validiranim naprednim numeričkim modelima. Poseban naglasak stavlja se na istraživanje mehanizama otkazivanja uz primjenu probabilističkih metoda i analiza životnog ciklusa u svrhu ocjene pouzdanosti i dugoročne održivosti sustava.

7. Publications

Journal papers:

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3. Lukačević, Ivan; Ćurković, Ivan; Rajić, Andrea; Bartolac, Marko: **Lightweight Composite Floor System—Cold-Formed Steel and Concrete—LWT-FLOOR Project** // *Buildings*. **12**, (2022) no. 2: 209; /doi.org/10.3390/buildings12020209 (međunarodna recenzija, članak, znanstveni)
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11. Žuvelek, V.; Ćurković, I.; Lukačević, I.; Rajić, A.; **Analysis of demountable shear connections in cold-formed steel-concrete composite beams: A finite element approach validated with experimental data**, Thin-Walled Structures, Volume 214, September 2025, 113327, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tws.2025.113327

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Conference Papers:

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8. Rajić, Andrea; Lukačević, Ivan; Ćurković, Ivan; Žuvelek, Vlaho: **Numerical study of cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system with demountable shear connectors** // *Cold-Formed Steel Research Consortium Colloquium 2022 (CFSRC Colloquium 2022),* Baltimore, United States, 2022. ID103, 10 (predavanje, međunarodna recenzija, cjeloviti rad (in extenso), znanstveni)

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12. Lukačević, Ivan; Bartolac, Marko; Ćurković, Ivan; Rajić, Andrea; Žuvelek, Vlaho **Laboratory Tests of Lightweight Composite Floor System LWT-FLOOR** // Modern Building Materials, Structures and Techniques. Springer Nature Switzerland, 2023.
13. Lukačević, Ivan; Ungureanu, Viorel; Ćurković, Ivan; Žuvelek, Vlaho; Rajić, Andrea **Investigations on spot weld and shear connections in built-up corrugated web steel-concrete composite beams** // Proceedings of the 11th International Conference on Advances in Steel Structures. Hong Kong: Hong Kong Institute of Steel Construction, 2023. str. 1-2.
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16. Žuvelek, Vlaho; Ćurković, Ivan; Lukačević, Ivan; Rajić, Andrea **Analysis of Demountable Shear Connections in Cold-formed Steel-Concrete Composite Beams: A Finite Element Approach Validated With Experimental Data** 10th International Conference on Steel and Aluminium Structures (ICSAS 2024), Rio de Janeiro, Brasil, 2024
17. Lukačević, Ivan; Ćurković, Ivan; Rajić, Andrea; Žuvelek, Vlaho **Advancements in Lightweight Cold-Formed Composite Steel-Concrete Floor Systems: Recent Findings from the LWT-FLOOR Project** IABSE Congress San Jose 2024 Beyond Structural Engineering in a Changing World, San Jose, Costa Rica, 2024
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2. Rajić, Andrea; Lukačević, Ivan: **Behaviour of lightweight built up cold-formed steel concrete composite beam in bending** // *10th International Conference on Business, Technology and Innovation 2021 - Conference Book of Abstract* / Hajrizi, Edmond (ur.). Pristina: UBT – Higher Education Institution, 2021. str. 247-247 (predavanje, međunarodna recenzija, sažetak, znanstveni)
3. Rajić, Andrea; Lukačević, Ivan; Ćurković, Ivan; Žuvelek, Vlaho: **Innovative lightweight composite floor system – built-up cold formed steel-concrete** // Modern structures of metal and wood - Book of Abstract Odesa: Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine; Odesa State Academy of Civil Engineering and Architecture Rzeszów; University of Technology (Poland); University of Rijeka (Croatia), 2022. str. 18-20 (predavanje, međunarodna recenzija, sažetak, znanstveni)

7. Publications

1st LWT-FLOOR Project Workshop

1st LWT-FLOOR Project WORKSHOP was organised at the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Zagreb, Croatia on 17th of December 2021.

Aims of the workshop was the presentation of the LWT-FLOOR project background, presentations and discussions about planned activities and recent results and presentation of other activities of the research group members and project advisors related to the composite and cold-formed steel structural elements. A workshop flyer with the programme is available HERE.

The recorded videos of the workshop presentations are available via the following links:

doc. dr. sc. Ivan Lukačević: Opening Session – presentation of the LWT-FLOOR project

prof. dr. sc. Daniel Viorel Ungureanu, izv. prof. dr. sc. Ioan Both: Corrugated web built-up cold-formed beams

doc. dr. sc. Ivan Lukačević: Investigations on spot welded built-up cold-formed steel beams

Andrea Rajić, mag. ing. aedif., Vlaho Žuvelek, mag. ing. aedif.: Numerical analysis of lightweight cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system

doc. dr. sc. Marko Bartolac: Scope of activities of Structural testing laboratory at the University of Zagreb - Faculty of Civil Engineering

Andrea Rajić, mag. ing. aedif.: Behaviour of lightweight built up cold-formed steel-concrete composite beam in bending

doc. dr. sc. Ivan Lukačević: Numerical study on bending resistance of cold-formed steel back-to-back built-up elements

doc. dr. sc. Ivan Ćurković: Steel and composite steel-concrete shear panels

Anton Kralj, mag. ing. aedif., prof. dr. sc. Davor Skejić: Loadbearing capacity of LSF walls under fire exposure

doc. dr. sc. Ivan Lukačević: Closing of Workshop

Presentations from Cold-Formed Steel Research Consortium Colloquium 2022 (CFSRC Colloquium 2022)

Andrea Rajić, mag. ing. aedif.: Numerical study of cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system with demountable shear connectors

Vlaho Žuvelek, mag. ing. aedif.: Numerical study of the behavior of the bolted shear connection in cold-formed steel-concrete composite beam

doc. dr. sc. Ivan Lukačević: Numerical parametric study on corrugated web built-up beams with pinned end supports

2nd LWT-FLOOR Project Workshop

2nd LWT-FLOOR Project WORKSHOP was organised at the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Zagreb, Croatia on 15th of December 2022.

The workshop presentations are available via the following links:

doc. dr. sc. **Ivan Lukačević**: Opening Session presentation of the LWT FLOOR project and overview of the realised activities

doc. dr. sc. **Ivan Lukačević**, doc. dr. sc. **Ivan Ćurković**, Andrea Rajić, mag. ing. aedif., Vlaho Žuvelek, mag. ing. aedif.: Design and fabrication of material, spot welded and push-out specimens

doc. dr. sc. Ivan Lukačević, doc. dr. sc. Ivan Ćurković, izv. prof. dr. sc. Marko Bartolac, **Andrea Rajić**, mag. ing. aedif., Vlaho Žuvelek, mag. ing. aedif.: Implementation and analyses of laboratory tests-base material & spot welds

doc. dr. sc. Ivan Ćurković, doc. dr. sc. Ivan Lukačević, izv. prof. dr. sc. Marko Bartolac, **Vlaho Žuvelek**, mag. ing. aedif., Andrea Rajić, mag. ing. aedif.: Implementation and analysis of the push-out test on shear connectors in composite beams cold-formed steel profiles-concrete

doc. dr. sc. Ivan Lukačević, doc. dr. sc. Ivan Ćurković, **Andrea Rajić**, mag. ing. aedif., Vlaho Žuvelek, mag. ing. aedif.: Parametric finite element analyses of lightweight cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor beams

doc. dr. sc. **Ivan Ćurković**, doc. dr. sc. Ivan Lukačević, Vlaho Žuvelek, mag. ing. aedif., Andrea Rajić, mag. ing. aedif.: Numerical investigation of shear connection in cold-formed steel-concrete composite beam

Andrea Rajić, mag. ing. aedif., doc. dr. sc. Ivan Lukačević, doc. dr. sc. Ivan Ćurković, Vlaho Žuvelek, mag. ing. aedif.: Numerical study of cold-formed steel-concrete composite floor system with demountable shear connectors

Vlaho Žuvelek, mag. ing. aedif., doc. dr. sc. Ivan Ćurković, Andrea Rajić, mag. ing. aedif., doc. dr. sc. Ivan Lukačević: Numerical study of the behaviour of the bolted shear connection in cold-formed steel-concrete composite beams

doc. dr. sc. **Ivan Lukačević**, prof. dr. sc. Daniel Viorel Ungureanu: Numerical parametric study on corrugated web built-up beams with pinned end supports

7. Publications

3rd LWT-FLOOR Project Workshop

3rd LWT-FLOOR Project WORKSHOP was organised at the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Zagreb, Croatia on 21th of December 2023.

The workshop presentations are available via the following links:

Ivan Lukačević: Opening Session – presentation of the LWT-FLOOR project and overview of the realised activities 3rd project year

Ivan Ćurković, Ivan Lukačević, Andrea Rajić, Vlaho Žuvelek: Design and fabrication of steel and composite girder specimens

Marko Bartolac, Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Ćurković, Andrea Rajić, Vlaho Žuvelek: Preparation of laboratory tests of large-scale specimens

Andrea Rajić, Vlaho Žuvelek, Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Ćurković, Janko Košćak, Marko Bartolac: 3D scanning and preparation of the steel and composite girders for measurement with the GOM ARAMIS system

Andrea Rajić, Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Ćurković, Marko Bartolac, Vlaho Žuvelek: Implementation and analysis of the steel and composite girders laboratory tests

Marko Bartolac, Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Ćurković, Andrea Rajić, Vlaho Žuvelek: Laboratory Tests of Lightweight Composite Floor System LWT-FLOOR

Andrea Rajić, Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Ćurković, Vlaho Žuvelek: Performance evaluation of cold-formed steel spot weld connections

Vlaho Žuvelek, Ivan Ćurković, Ivan Lukačević, Andrea Rajić: Finite Element Analyses of Demountable Shear Connection in Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite Beam Based on Experimental Data

Ivan Lukačević, Andrea Rajić, Daniel Viorel Ungureanu, Raluca Buzatu: A comparative life-cycle assessment of structural composite steel-concrete floor systems – A case study

4th LWT-FLOOR Project Workshop

4th LWT-FLOOR Project WORKSHOP was organised at the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Zagreb, Croatia on 19th of December 2024.

The workshop presentations are available via the following links:

Ivan Lukačević: Opening Session – presentation of the LWT-FLOOR project and overview of the realised activities 4th project year

Ivan Lukačević, **Ivan Ćurković**, Andrea Rajić, Vlaho Žuvelek: Advancements in Lightweight Cold-Formed Composite Steel-Concrete Floor Systems: Recent Findings from the LWT-FLOOR Project

Vlaho Žuvelek, Ivan Ćurković, Ivan Lukačević, Andrea Rajić: Analysis of Demountable Shear Connections in Cold-formed Steel-Concrete Composite Beams: A Finite Element Approach Validated With Experimental Data

Andrea Rajić, Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Ćurković, Vlaho Žuvelek: Influence of Shear Connection and End Supports onto Self-vibrations of Cold-Formed Steel-Concrete Composite Floor

Andrea Rajić, Ivan Lukačević, Ivan Ćurković, Vlaho Žuvelek: Numerical parametric study of LWT-FLOOR system: effect of various web openings

Ivan Ćurković, Davor Skejić, Janko Košćak, Ivan Lukačević: Experimental Study on the Performance of Steel and Composite Plate Shear Walls Under Cyclic Behaviour

Vlaho Žuvelek, Ivan Ćurković, Ivan Lukačević, Andrea Rajić: Numerical Investigation of Double-Skin Cold-Formed Steel Shear Wall Filled with Concrete

Emanuel Krupa-Jurić, Ivan Lukačević: Nonlinear analysis of multi-storey steel building with innovative shear wall bracing system

8. Equipment

- Inverter Spot-welding machine

8. Equipment

- Data Aquisition System

8. Equipment

- 2 PCs

8. Equipment

- Force measuring sensors

- Linear Variable Differential Transformers

8. Equipment

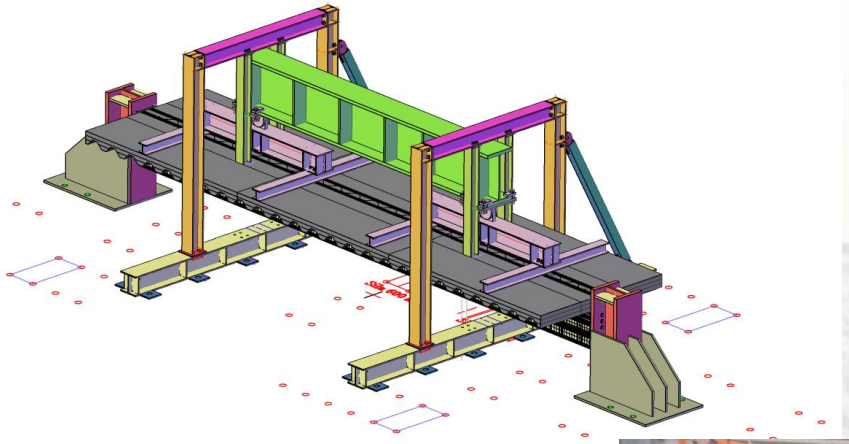
- Camera

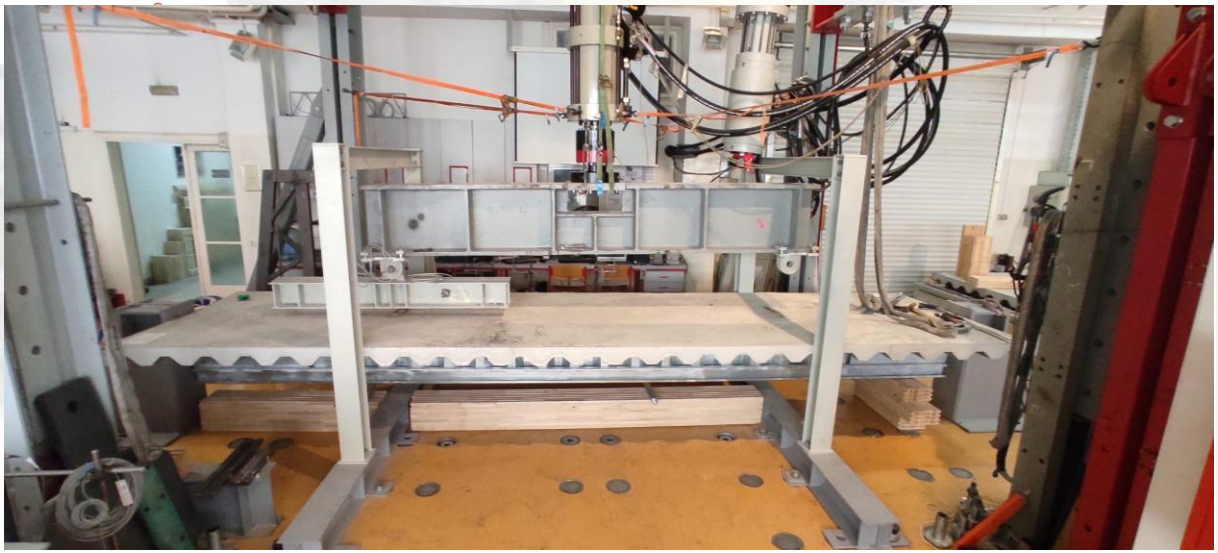
8. Equipment

- 3D scanner

8. Equipment

- Test rig for Zwick&Roell servo hidraulic machine





8. Equipment

- Workstation Fujitsu CELSIUS R970B

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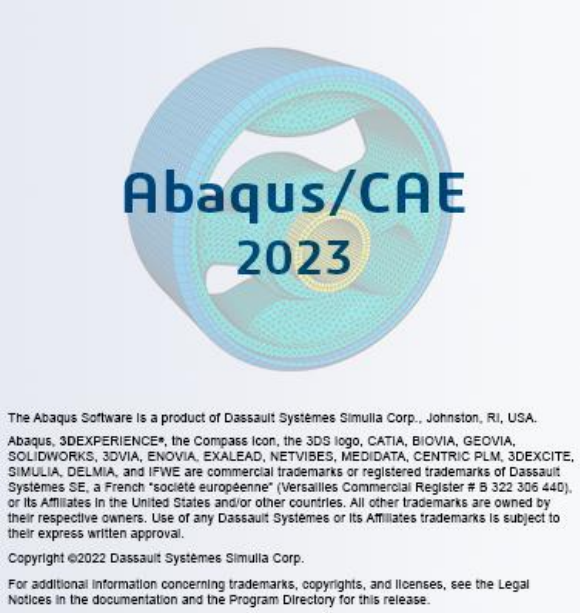
- PC Lenovo ThinkCentre Neo 50t G4, 12JB0023CR

9. Software

- Abaqus



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LWT-FLOOR Project

Overview of the realised activities

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