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Subject: Invitation for Academic Visit and Collaboration Discussion

I am pleased to invite you to visit the Department of Structural, Geotechnical and Building Engineering (DISEG), Politecnico di Torino, Italy, from **12 to 14 June 2026**.Please note that registration fees, travel, living and accommodation expenses will not be supported by organizers.

The purpose of your visit is to participate in **collaboration discussions** and to **visit the Laboratory of Fracture Mechanics and the Department at Politecnico di Torino**. In particular, the visit will provide an opportunity to discuss the topic of f**racture process and scale effects in reinforced concrete beams**, along with related areas of mutual academic and research interest.

I believe that this visit will provide an excellent opportunity to strengthen academic interaction and explore future research cooperation between **Shantou University** and **Politecnico di Torino**.

I sincerely hope that you will be able to accept this invitation and visit our department on the above-mentioned dates. Kindly consider this letter as an official invitation for your academic visit.

Please feel free to contact me if any additional information is required.

With kind regards,

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