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Research Spotlight: Hybrid Protective Coating for Construction Steel Bars

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At the 2nd EUROSTRUCT Conference of the European Association on Quality Control of Bridges and Structures held in Vienna from September 25–29, 2023 under the scientific supervision of BOKU University, Dr. Katia Matziaris presented part of the above-mentioned collaborative research project titled "Hybrid Protective Coating for Construction Steel Bars", co-authored with Evangelia Tsampali, Eirini-Chrysanthi Tsardaka, and Professor Maria Stefanidou.



The presentation, delivered on September 27, introduced a novel hybrid coating system designed to enhance the corrosion resistance and durability of steel reinforcement in concrete structures. This innovative approach combines hybrid chemistry to improve adhesion and long-term performance under harsh environmental conditions.



The research aligns with EUROSTRUCT 2023's central theme of Digital Transformation in Sustainability, contributing to the advancement of resilient and eco-conscious infrastructure across Europe.