Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

For this Special Issue, we welcome papers dealing with case studies, literature review, survey findings, analytical methods, and tools. Examples of topics of interest include:

- Studies on sustainable smart cities research;
- Elaboration on the concept of smart villages;
- Smart urban applications for different domains of human activity including education, transportation, energy, accessibility, policy making, governance, entertainment, collaboration, behavior etc.;
- Advanced information and communication technologies for smart cities research including data mining, analytics, cloud computing, open source technologies, virtual and augmented reality, collaborative platforms, content management systems, etc.;
- Policy-making and sustainable government initiatives for smart social businesses and entrepreneurship in villages and rural areas;
- Case studies, prototypes and project deliverables related to smart cities research; Irregular migratory flows and smart villages initiatives;
- Public consultation and open smart democracy.

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