

## Special Issue

# The Application of Generative AI and Machine Learning in the Public Sector and Smart Cities

### Message from the Guest Editor

The generative AI revolution is advancing rapidly, with models now rivaling or surpassing human capabilities in various domains. Concurrently, cutting-edge technologies—including self-driving vehicles, drones, and humanoid robots—are poised to redefine urban living, logistics, and industrial operations. These innovations promise to reshape cities by enabling 24/7 on-demand mobility and delivering public services that are more equitable, transparent, and personalized. Such changes could mark one of the most significant shifts in urban design and public administration in centuries. Yet, the public sector often lags, missing key opportunities to adopt these technologies for more efficient and democratic governance. This Special Issue examines the ongoing transformation, while exploring future pathways for urban and policy planning. We welcome contributions that present real-world initiatives or visionary roadmaps, stimulating debate on the evolution of a 21st-century public sector. Topics include Gen AI chatbots, agent-based AI for public services, future mobility, AI urban infrastructure, governance of privacy and fairness, and citizen participation in AI-driven governance.

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