

Special Issue

From Participatory Design to Transformative Resilience

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue will delineate, explore, and advance the capacity of participatory design to foster and reinforce spatialized transformative resilience. By critically reexamining and expanding the boundaries of participatory design, the Special Issue seeks to move beyond conventional frameworks, positioning transformative resilience, underpinned by participatory design, as a vital approach to addressing complex and evolving architectural and urban challenges.

Transformative resilience is not merely endurance, it advances an agency open to ongoing evolution in response to challenges. This dynamic nature justifies referring here to “acts” of transformative resilience, reflected in initiatives such as climate adaptation, post-disaster or post-conflict reconstruction, and economic regeneration, all of which are increasingly imperative in the face of emergent and impending existential challenges. A diverse range of methods and tools is needed to ensure the sustainability of communities and places.

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