Special Issue

Air Quality and Sustainable Development of Urban Agglomerations in the Mediterranean Area: Science, Technology and Policies

Message from the Guest Editors

The urban canopies of most historical centers in the Mediterranean area are characterized by the presence of deep street canyons where pollutants can accumulate due to an ineffective mass exchange with the above atmosphere. We invite colleagues of different areas: environmental chemistry and engineering, medicine, urban planning, environmental legislation, and public administration to submit papers. The goal of this Special Issue is to take a step ahead in the knowledge of the present status of air quality in the Mediterranean area, the main causes of the air pollutant levels observed, the assessment of the impact, and the possible solutions to take. Special attention will be given to assessment of traffic, ships and biomass combustion emissions, pervasive monitoring, local and urban scale air quality modelling, receptor models, assessment of the impact on human health and artistic artefacts, policies of mitigation, and indications for a sustainable development.

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