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# The Impact of Construction Projects and Project Management on Society

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

The number and importance of projects are increasing significantly throughout society and impacting the way we work and live. The management of construction projects is a particular focus of social development, whether in rural areas, urban development or in the local community sector. A wide range of stakeholder interests must be taken into account in order to be able to achieve a sustainable social impact through respective projects and programs. Projects nowadays take place, inevitably, not only with a high level of participation by those concerned but are also used to systematically spur on the development of civil society.

The aim of this Special Issue is to present approaches and experiences regarding projects and project management in the context of the ongoing projectification of society which yield sustainable social impact. In this context, projects and project management applications from all areas of construction and at all levels of society are invited to share their insights.











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# Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Current urban environments are home to multi-modal transit systems, extensive energy grids, a building stock, and integrated services. Sprawling neighborhoods are composed of buildings that accommodate living and working quarters. However, it is expected that the cities and communities of the future will face complex and enormous challenges, including maintenance. interconnectivity, resilience, energy efficiency, sustainability issues, to name but a few. A smart city uses advanced technologies and a digital infrastructure to improve the outcomes in every aspect of a city's operations. A smart building optimizes the experience of occupants, staff, and management by using a modern and connected environment. Innovations in technology that can bring dramatic improvements to design, planning, and policy are critical in developing the cities and buildings of the future.

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