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Urban Wellbeing: The Impact of Spatial Parameters—2nd Edition

Message from the Guest Editors

The purpose of this Special Issue of *Buildings* is to consolidate knowledge from current international research, with an emphasis on the spatial parameters that are reflected in urban planning and design decisions and how they affect the perceptions, emotions, behaviors, quality of life, and wellbeing of urban residents. The questions that arise are related to the influence of various layers of physical urban design, on different scales, in relation to urban residents within their private and public domains, for example, the geometry and morphology of urban fabric, buildings, and facades; vegetation and its positioning within public space; and the distribution of public spaces for different usages, on the micro-, mezzo-, and macro-scales. We hereby invite researchers from a wide range of disciplines to submit their novel studies, including their unique research goals, tools, and findings, to contribute to a corpus of global knowledge on how spatial parameters influence urban wellbeing.

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