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The Role of Spatial Policy Tools in Renewable Energy Investment

Message from the Guest Editors

Investment in renewable energy development is influenced by national spatial planning systems. It is the spatial policy tools, especially local spatial plans that create the framework for attracting and deploying investments—including such specific ones as energy investments. This Special Issue of *Energies* aims at broadening our understanding of the relationships between spatial planning and renewable energy investment. Key research topics include the following:

- The role and place of renewable energy investment in spatial development plans at different levels;
- Planning for commissioning and decommissioning of renewable energy installations;
- Renewable energy investment and the demand for flexibility in planning;
- Environmental protection and policy and renewable energy investment;
- Statutory changes in different countries regarding the planning basis for renewable energy investments;
- Spatial conditions for the implementation of distributed energy in individual countries;
- Renewable energy investments and sustainable development.

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