

Special Issue

Achieving the Circular Economy: Exploring the Role of Local Governments, Business and Civic Society in an Urban Context

Message from the Guest Editors

In this Special Issue, we want to explore what a “circular city” would constitute and how and why cities engage in circularity. We invite papers discussing, for example, drivers, barriers, and challenges of implementing circularity principles. We also invite papers providing new empirical data on sustainability and the circular economy in cities and the roles that *business* and *civic society* can play in urban transitions for sustainability, as well as investigations of the interplay between these actors in achieving a circular economy. For example, how do interactions between business models in the urban economy affect the ecological and social sustainability of provision for human needs, and what tools can be used to assess this? What would adequate transition pathways in an urban context look like and what tools and methods can support key decision makers?

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