

Special Issue

Applying Earth Observation Data for Urban Land-Use Change Mapping

Message from the Guest Editor

Urban area planning is related to Earth protection and the quality of the environment, while the regulation of urban planning is important for maintaining the quality of human life. Within urban areas, we have agricultural land, canals, rivers, water bodies, forests, and hills that need to be conserved to prevent negative land transformation, with the ones needing the most protection in cities known as environmentally critical areas (ECAs). In this Special Issue, we are interested in papers that outline the contributions of future urban area planning to changing land use for area protection purposes. We are pleased to invite research and conceptual/theoretical works examining any key processes, including but not limited to:

- Land conversion activities in the ECAs;
- Urban land protection;
- Biodiversity and ecosystems;
- Urban land classification methods and approaches;

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