

## Special Issue

# Community-Based Land Dynamics in Urban Transformation: Perceptions, Reconfigurations, and Sustainable Land-Use Strategies

### Message from the Guest Editors

Against the backdrop of rapid global urbanization, urban land transformation has become an irreversible trend. Communities, as fundamental units of cities, are embedded within complex land systems that integrate spatial, social, and ecological dimensions. Urban transformation reshapes land-use patterns, alters landscape multifunctionality, and redefines human–land relationships, posing critical challenges to sustainable development. Understanding how community-based land use changes in the context of urban transformation, how land governance contributes to spatial reconfiguration, and how to balance land tenure security with ecological resilience is critical to advancing land systems science and policy. This Special Issue seeks interdisciplinary contributions that bridge land-use transitions, community-based land management, and socio-ecological systems in urban contexts. We emphasize studies that address the intersection of land dynamics with human perceptions, technological innovations, and governance frameworks.

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