Special Issue

Synergies in Land Use Planning: Advancing Urban-Rural Integration for Sustainable Development

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue aims to gather original research and reviews on integrating urban and rural land use planning. Contributions will address key challenges and opportunities in creating interconnected, sustainable environments that meet the needs of both urban and rural populations. The issue will explore land property rights, environmental impacts, urban-rural revitalization, and strategies for sustainable economic and social development across landscapes.

- Land Property Rights: Secure tenure, land reform, and community-based management.
- Environmental Impacts: Mitigating urban expansion and promoting ecosystem services.
- Urban-Rural Integration: Addressing disparities and fostering regional economies.
- Urban and Rural Revitalization: Integrating renewal efforts with rural landscape conservation.
- Smart Habitat Planning: Using technology for efficient, sustainable land management.

Contributions should aim to advance urban-rural integration aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We look forward to your submissions.

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