

# Special Issue

## Building Resilient and Sustainable Urban Futures

### Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue welcomes original research articles and reviews that provide empirical insights, theoretical frameworks, and methodological advancements in holistic urban transformations that address climate challenges, resource depletion, and social inequalities. Key issues include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Assessment of social and ecological systems and ecosystem services;
- Spatial analysis of land use land cover change;
- Development of nature-based solutions (NbSs) in the urban contexts;
- Quantifying urban resource flows and modelling urban-rural interactions;
- Transitioning to smart and circular cities;
- Regenerative design and urban resilience;
- The role of policy in urban transformation.

We look forward to receiving your original research articles and reviews.

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