

## Special Issue

# The Second Edition: Urban Planning Pathways to Carbon Neutrality

### Message from the Guest Editor

Carbon emissions have been recognized as the greatest known contributor to global climate change, and the goal of carbon neutrality has been proposed in an effort to slow global warming. Urban spatial planning is an important tool for the construction of national spatial governance systems and ecological civilizations. Its comprehensive planning and control can help to enhance ecological carbon sink and peak carbon emissions in many areas, such as industry, transportation, energy, and architecture, and to build carbon-neutral cities on the basis of both carbon emission reduction and carbon sink increase. Therefore, carbon-neutral city construction can make use of urban spatial planning, integrate low-carbon planning concepts and carbon emission control measures into the planning, accurately identify and manage energy carbon emission projects, promote urban production and life carbon peak, and increase the “green carbon sink” and “blue carbon sink”. For this Special Issue, we are interested in contributions that link urban planning pathways to carbon neutrality, through either empirical research or conceptual/ theoretical works.

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