

## Special Issue

# The 15-Minute City: Land-Use Policy Impacts

### Message from the Guest Editors

The 15-minute city is a model of the modern city based on proximity, where the essential functions of living, working, commerce, medical care, education, and leisure can be accomplished in 15 minutes by walking or biking. It became increasingly popular since the COVID-19 pandemic, as lockdowns highlighted the importance of having essential needs close to home, while making walkable or bikeable access more appealing. This SI aims to focus attention on studies that evaluate the social sustainability of the 15-minute city model, in light of the phenomena of gentrification, overtourism, and, above all, the aging of the population, in the European context and beyond. Within this framework, we welcome studies that investigate the following research questions: What policies should be implemented to promote the 15-minute city? What contributions can urban and transport planning make? How can the digital and energy transition contribute to improving the 15-minute city and spatial accessibility through the virtual dimension? What environmental, economic, and social benefits emerge from ongoing experiences? What are the negative externalities and impacts?

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