

## Special Issue

# Reimagining Public Spaces in Europe: Towards Inclusive, Livable, and Resilient Human-Scale Urban Environments

### Message from the Guest Editors

Public spaces are pivotal to urban environments, serving as venues for social interaction, cultural expression, and civic engagement. New methods involving geospatial analysis, crowdsourced data, and user-generated data—combined with more traditional participatory processes—are proving to be critical to overcoming the limitations of single-source bias. By combining innovative methodologies with participatory processes, urban designers and researchers can better capture the complexity of public spaces as platforms for healthier, safer, and climate-responsive environments while addressing inequalities and fostering social inclusion. This Special Issue, 'Reimagining Public Spaces in Europe: Towards Inclusive, Livable, and Resilient Human-Scale Urban Environments', aims to explore the multifaceted dimensions of public spaces in a European context, focusing on empirical research and methods that contribute to improve their role in fostering equity and spatial justice, urban sustainability, and resilience.

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