

## Special Issue

# Urban Blue–Green Spaces and Spatial Planning: Strategies for Climate Change Adaptation

### Message from the Guest Editors

It aims to advance the state of the knowledge on how blue–green spaces can be best planned and managed to improve urban sustainability, climate resilience, and ecosystem services, recognising their critical role in creating healthier, more liveable cities.

The goal is to collect papers to give insights into distinct but interrelated topics regarding the following: (i) Urban blue–green spaces and their environmental benefits. (ii) Actual and potential accessibility disparities to green spaces, the development of planning strategies to improve equitable distribution, and the study of the complex relationship between urbanisation and the integration of nature into city life for greater sustainability considering equitable access and environmental justice principles. (iii) Green spaces functionality to fulfil the purpose for which blue–green spaces have been created, as these blue–green spaces should not merely exist, but also offer people various possibilities of both passive and active leisure activities. It also presents research on cost-effectiveness, measuring users' satisfaction, and aspects of municipal planning and management to ensure better functionality of urban green spaces.

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