

Special Issue

Smart Cities and Data-driven Innovative Solutions

Message from the Guest Editors

Innovations in information and communication technologies have made cities smarter at being able to run their systems more efficiently and effectively, connecting them with their residents and communities. The word “smart” is interchangeable with virtual, intelligent, digital, or ubiquitous, to connect a wide range of city- and citizen-related issues based on data-driven technologies. This Special Issue is devoted to analytical, descriptive, and explanatory research that broadens the courses of action and practice for the development of smart cities, and that closes the gap in the literature about smart cities spanning across multidisciplinary areas. This Special Issue focuses on policy initiatives, case studies, empirical evidence, and novel insights to promote data-driven innovations for building smart cities in a national, comparative, or international context.

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Message from the Editor-in-Chief

As urban environments continue to evolve, Smart Cities serves as a key platform for sharing innovative research that addresses the complexities of modern urban life. Our journal provides a space for interdisciplinary dialogue and knowledge exchange on the latest advancements in smart city technologies and practices. We prioritize research that not only pushes the boundaries of scientific understanding but also has practical implications for improving urban living, sustainability, and governance. We welcome contributions from diverse fields that bring fresh perspectives to urban challenges, from smart infrastructure and IoT integration to data-driven decision-making and sustainable development. Through a combination of rigorous peer-review and rapid publication, we aim to disseminate impactful research that fosters the development of smarter, more resilient cities.

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