

## Special Issue

# Global Business Models of Smart and Sustainable Cities

### Message from the Guest Editors

In this Special Issue, we hope to collect papers that help us to understand business model creation for smart cities that comes with a series of challenges including: What type of value can and should the smart city create; economic, social, relational, public? How can the smart city capture this value and distribute it equitably among the various stakeholders in the city? How are businesses to determine which new services to develop and which business models to adopt? How can ICTs and data platforms be helpful in addressing these challenges? Thus, the advancement of our understanding of smart cities and smart city business model development is not just a question of implementing smart technology. It is essentially a multidisciplinary effort drawing on domains such as urban studies, social studies, political science, and economics. We explicitly invite contributions that take such trans-, cross-, and interdisciplinary approaches and are open to a broad variety of methods and topics.

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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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