

Special Issue

Smart Cities: Cyber Security Issues in Smart Cities

Message from the Guest Editors

The high technological growth, penetration, and dependency on smart technology is the wider truth of the current era. The smart cities concept is playing a vital role in the economic growth of cities. However, security and privacy concerns are the other side of the coin and the major challenge in the growth of smart cities. Data 24/7 availability online attracts more cyber hackers. Thus, cybersecurity will be the highest concern of the future. Personal data privacy and security are the key requirement for the success of smart cities. Cyber threats are increasing with time and becoming a major challenge around the globe. The governments in most countries are seriously considering smart cities and IoT security and privacy issues, to protect their citizens from intruders. Cybersecurity is the major concern for smart cities, and this issue would not be easy to handle. In this Special Issue, innovative research papers addressing classical challenges, new challenges, issues, and possible solutions of cybersecurity in smart cities are especially welcome.

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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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