Special Issue

Smart City Related Policies and Implementation

Message from the Guest Editors

Practices on policies relating to smart city development have accumulated a vast amount of knowledge in STEEP (social, technical, economic, environmental and political) areas in the past three decades. This body of knowledge is valuable to inform research and practices with long-term effects. Through learning from many cases about the efficacy of policies at various levels in smart city development around the world, the necessity is shown for both technical reviews and theoretical studies to focus on smart-city-related policies and implementation, as well as to support evidence-based theory development and practices in related areas in the future. The purpose of this Special Issue is to show the latest research in policy-related areas in the context of smart cities.

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