# **Special Issue**

# Current Challenges in Sustainable Urban, Rural and Regional Development

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We are interested in contributions that examine and connect the changes and dynamics of urban and rural areas, rural-urban relations and land use changes, the expansion and development of peri-urban and metropolitan areas, and the phenomena enabling these connections. In addition, this Special Issue aims to highlight and analyze the factors that have contributed to economic and social imbalances in urban and rural development, to the sharp decrease in the population and to the social impact of depopulation and the demographic and social risks arising from this phenomenon. Studies can be theoretical in nature, aimed at improving the theoretical and methodological issues, or can comprise empirical research and regional case studies targeting the key phenomena that facilitate these connections.

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