

Special Issue

Human-Centric Sustainability: Designing Inter-Active Cities of the Future

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We welcome contributions that explore the theoretical frameworks, practical applications, and innovative methodologies related to the inter-active city. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:

- The role of data in shaping urban interactions and environments and their influence on spatial practices and lived experiences;
- The integration of qualitative and quantitative data in urban planning and design processes and the challenges of interpreting hybrid forms of knowledge;
- Case studies of cities transitioning from smart city models to sense-based and sustainability-centered paradigms, highlighting shifts in technological, political, environmental, and social approaches;
- The impact of artificial intelligence on urban dynamics, planning decisions and community engagement practices;
- Interactions between artificial and human intelligence in shaping adaptive, responsive, and environmentally conscious urban environments;
- Mechanisms for facilitating data-driven interactions between citizens and urban spaces, including participatory platforms and responsive systems.

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