Special Issue

Advances in Emergency and Recovery Planning to Enhance Resilience Practices

Message from the Guest Editors

Despite the significant efforts globally undertaken since the 1970s in the field of disaster risk reduction, the constantly increasing number and frequency of damaging events, due to the changing climate conditions as well as growing exposure and vulnerability, continue straining the ability of local communities to cope and recover from disaster impacts. The development of pre-disaster emergency and recovery plans is considered of paramount importance to better cope with the numerous issues arising both in the aftermath of hazardous events. However, the effectiveness of both emergency and recovery plans largely depends on the overall features of the complex process aimed at increasing the response and recovery capacity of local communities and institutions along the different post-event phases. Based on the above, the Special Issue aims at collecting articles providing approaches, methods, tools and best practices to improve current emergency and recovery planning processes. Critical reflection on current gaps and barriers limiting the effectiveness of these process as well as on the interactions between spatial planning, emergency, and recovery planning are also welcome.

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