

Special Issue

Environmental Planning and Governance for Sustainable Cities

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The concept of "Environmental Planning and Governance for Sustainable Cities" stands as an integrated approach that aims to manage human and natural resources, promote urban sustainability and resilience, and improve quality of life and work.

Environmental planning is the process of designing and managing urban development in harmony with the surrounding environment and with natural resources. It involves assessing environmental risks, conserving natural resources, and promoting sustainable solutions. Sustainable cities must be designed with consideration of elements such as efficient public transportation, rational land use, waste management, energy supplies, carbon emissions, and the creation of green spaces and data-driven solutions. Environmental planning also helps to mitigate climate change by addressing challenges related to greenhouse gas emissions, evaluating climate risk and adaptation to climate change. This Special Issue aims to explore the multidimensional aspects of environmental planning and governance for sustainable cities, aiming to contribute to a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities in creating environmentally resilient urban environments.

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