

Special Issue

Public Policies and Sustainable Urban Planning in the Metropolises of Southern Europe

Message from the Guest Editors

In this sense, this Special Issue presents an opportunity to address some relevant questions:

- To what extent can urban sustainability be pursued within the metropolis scale?
- What new type of urban and metropolitan governance arrangements are being developed?
- How are the roles of urban public policies and urban territorial planning being reframed in the face of the main sustainability challenges? Is the role of these policies a potential driver towards new perspectives for political and administrative changes at the metropolitan level?
- Could some specific vectors of urban policy, like urban regeneration, the 15-minute city or nature based solutions, be drivers towards the reshaping of urban planning and urban governance systems?
- In these senses, what is the role of supposedly external but influential agents, namely, the European Union?

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