

Special Issue

Integral and Sustainable Urban Policies

Message from the Guest Editors

Urban policy oriented to promote integral and sustainable urban development is an increasingly important policy domain in international and national agendas. The complexity of urban problems means policies should combine the action from different policy sectors, in order to promote comprehensive policy agendas, the participation of different kind of institutional and non-institutional actors to enhance multi-level governance processes, and the active involvement of local actors and citizens to produce an effective incorporation of local needs and demands. This Special Issue is devoted to the analysis of this policy frame from a comparative perspective. Proposals should analyse the design, implementation and impact of this kind of urban policy. In particular, comparisons between applications in different socio-spatial contexts (countries, municipalities, neighbourhoods) are welcome, regardless of the comparative research methodology applied (qualitative, quantitative, mixed-methods, etc.)

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