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Message from the Guest Editors

Today's methods of PT accessibility assessment stress explicit estimations of the travel time, the last mile problem and LOS for the PT versus other modes. A wide spectrum of measures from aggregated to individual-/activity-based have already been proposed and more are in development. Leave No One Behind, the keynote of Sustainable Development Goals, extends the goal of the PT from providing satisfactory home–job commuting to much greater variety of services for all population groups, including the elderly, children and youth, tourists and people with disabilities. All this should be addressed in accessibility studies. We should enhance accessibility measures and the software, explicitly consider various population groups and, also, go beyond the boundaries of large cities and metropolitan areas and assess public transport accessibility in small towns and villages. In cities, we speak about minutes in travel and idle time, in rural territories it may be hours, with serious economic and social consequences.

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