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Sustainable Outdoor Lighting

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Outdoor lighting has become an integral part of the urban environment and plays a significant role not only in the visual performance of users but also in the safety and appearance of the environment after dark. However, artificial lighting is also a major consumer of electricity and a source of greenhouse gas emissions.

Furthermore, poorly designed outdoor lighting systems waste energy and resources and impact negatively on human health and on the natural environment. Outdoor lighting technologies have been rapidly changing in recent years. The growth of efficient LED luminaires allows the reduction of the required energy consumption as compared to luminaires with conventional light sources. Moreover, with LED technology, when combined with smart control using sensors and control algorithms, it is possible to generate the appropriate amount of light at the appropriate time at the site where the light is actually needed. This kind of adaptable lighting system saves energy and provides the required quality and quantity of light with minimized light pollution...

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