

Special Issue

Innovation and the City: Exploring the Role of Urban Design, Transportation and Land Use

Message from the Guest Editor

Cities have served as engines of economic growth and crucibles of innovation for millennia. Despite significant technological advances and the widespread adoption of telecommunications technologies, proximity is still seen as a key factor—if not *the* key factor—driving innovative productivity. By bringing together diverse peoples and ideas, urban places are well positioned to provide the ideal conditions for new forms and new solutions to arise. In the highly competitive global information/knowledge economy of the 21st century, cities are perhaps more invested than ever in maximizing innovative capacity by growing, attracting and retaining information/knowledge firms and their high-skill creative workforce. Papers in this Special Issue will explore the role that urban design, transportation, and land use configurations play in advancing innovation within cities and urban regions. I am pleased to consider for inclusion in this Special Issue a wide range of original research articles and reviews that explore the diverse and dynamic relationships between urban form/design and innovation. I look forward to receiving your contributions.

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