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This Special Issue of *Urban Science* will include selected contributions on the theory and practice of analyzing spatial data and using GIS in all aspects of urban planning studies. We encourage researchers to submit contributions through articles, reviews, case studies, and position papers where the role and contribution of spatial analysis and geospatial techniques in this scope are enhanced. This may include (as a non-exclusive list of potential topics) contributions on the following:

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- Methodological aspects of geospatial data analysis impacting life in cities;
- Data handling techniques for the spatialization of sustainability-related indicators;
- Case studies concerning the application of GIS modelling and analysis of social equity, economic efficiency, and environmental responsibility of urban systems;
- Impacts of spatial data models, quality, transformation, and processing in sustainability assessment;
- Applications for spatial data mining, geovisualization, or spatial decision-support systems for the urban environment.

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