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Call for papers: Sustainable Cities: Tools and Rules

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Sustainable design of cities and urban areas requires multidisciplinary knowledge to ensure providing the needs of the current communities without depletion of natural resources and to sustain them for future generations. In fact, there is a need for several combinations of technological infrastructures to form an array of sustainable cities. In this regard, various aspects of sustainable development should be precisely taken into consideration to design a new sustainable city or to upgrade the existing and current cities, especially in developing countries with a number of environmental, economic, and social issues.

This special issue concerns various aspects of designing sustainable cities and to transform the current cities in a way to be in compliance with sustainability goals and calls for original research papers, short communications, and critical reviews which bring novel contributions on the following topics of interest:

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- Novel sustainability paradigms in modern and smart cities;
- Urban ecology and environmental aspects of modern and smart cities;
- The economics of sustainable cities;
- Traffic management and planning in sustainable cities;
- Sustainable supply chain in modern and smart cities;
- Sustainable cities in developing countries: challenges and opportunities;

- Water management and re-use in sustainable cities;
- Upgrading the current cities to sustainable cities: barriers and inspirations;
- Social considerations in sustainable cities.

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