



Defining and Debating on Smart Cities or Smart Buildings

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

What is a smart city or smart building? It is a commonly asked yet unanswered question both in daily life and in the scientific literature. A smart city or building according to one person would not be considered smart by another. We call for papers that define and debate smart cities or smart buildings, incorporating the following two distinct views. The first view considers that modernist cities or tall buildings equipped with internet and smart devices (e.g., tracking or surveillance) are smart (Talari et al, 2017). They are commonly considered to be smart, sustainable, or even green. The second view focuses on structural aspects, which are capable of sustaining and nurturing people in the presence of the cities and buildings (e.g., Alexander 2004, Jiang 2019). Out of these two distinct views, there may be a third view that compromises on these two. We solicit papers that define and debate smart cities or smart buildings from all perspectives. All authors are invited to review other accepted articles, so the Special Issue will be considered as a coherent whole rather than independent pieces.





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