



## Smart Villages as the Key for Sustainable and Resilient Rural Spaces: Current Trends and Future Perspective

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Dear Colleagues,

Smart villages are an innovative geographic policy being utilized in contemporary processes of restructuring and sustainable rural change. However, they have unequal development possibilities associated with the characteristics of rural place.

This Special Issue invites contributions from different parts of the world, whether from the Global South or North, with a special vocation for remote or peripheral rural areas and the processes of new resettlement in China. Sectoral applications of smart villages such as health, agriculture, tourism, education are also welcome.

In addition, this Special Issue aims to review the concern of the classic rural community in light of the development of the concept of smart villages: connection–disconnection, new culture–acculturation, territoriality–deterritorialization.

Finally, we aim to reopen the debate on spatial–temporal (de)compression in the context of post-structural, hybrid and fluid geographic academic trends.





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