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## Towards Healthy and Sustainable Human Settlement: The Ecological and Cultural Connation of Landsenses

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### Message from the Guest Editors

To build healthy and sustainable human settlement involves considerations across various domains, including environmental, social, and economic factors. Cultural factors influence how people perceive and use the land, while ecological factors affect the sustainability and health of ecosystems. The inherent ecological and cultural connections in our perception of the land play a crucial role in how we perceive and utilize the land. Landsenses, or the sensory experiences derived from interacting with the land, encompass a wide range of perceptions including sight, sound, smell, taste, and touch. The concept represents the emotional, sensory, and cognitive connections between humans and the land. Understanding and respecting landsenses can lead to better conservation and utilization of land resources, fostering harmonious coexistence between humans and nature. Incorporating landsenses into the design and planning of human settlements is essential for promoting both environmental stewardship and cultural preservation. We believe that the ecological and cultural connations of landsenses provide a holistic framework for building healthy and sustainable human settlements.



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