



Universal Design and Assistive Technologies for Accessibility in Smart Cities

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Universal Design is the design and composition of an environment so that it can be accessed, understood, and used to the greatest extent possible by all people regardless of their age, size, ability, or disability. An environment (or any building, product, or service in that environment) should be designed to meet the needs of all people who wish to use it. Assistive technology is technology used by individuals with disabilities in order to perform functions that might otherwise be difficult or impossible.

The goal for this Special Issue in the journal *Smart Cities* is to show the latest research, innovation, applications, and practice for helping the independent living of people with disabilities or elderly people, covering equal opportunity and easy-to-use everyday objects, as well as services in smart cities.

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