# **Special Issue**

## Biophilic Design and Restorative Architecture for Sustainable Urban Environments

### Message from the Guest Editor

This Special Issue of *Sustainability* aims to bridge the gap between the biophilic design and energy sustainability of cities. Research has underpinned technical paths to saving energy in urban generative processes: however, true sustainability depends principally upon users valuing their built environments enough to maintain them. The complex factors behind this attachment include biophilic design, in which people unconsciously feel to be part of an environment when it triggers positive-valence unconscious responses. The Special Issue will link previous studies on sustainability to the emotional attachment of human beings with geometry through the evolutionary mechanisms that shape our biology. This crucial aspect of sustainability is currently being neglected in the existing literature. Prof. Dr. Nikos Salingaros

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