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*Challenges and responses to population health and urbanization in the 21st century*

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**Special Issue Information**

*Dear Colleagues,*

*Urbanization has significant impacts on people's quality of life in the 21st century. The rapid process of urbanization raises the question of how individuals and the public, not-for-profit and private sectors in urban environments can make services available and accessible and meet the demands of a growing vulnerable population, especially in developing countries and megacities. There is a need to understand how regional differences in urbanization and population health, their challenges and health impacts, and people's accessibility and utilization of public services will support planning and policy making for sustainable development in our future. This special multi-disciplinary issue calls for papers addressing these issues and others linked to public health, population aging and urbanization in geography, urban planning, policy studies, etc. It is supported by the International Geographical Union (IGU) Commission on Health and the Environment (CHE) for the "Pre-conference on Shaping Geographies of Health, Health Care and Environment" and sessions on environment and health in the 33rd International Geographical Congress (IGC) of IGU.*

*Sincerely yours,*

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