

## Editorial

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The concept of sustainable liveable communities has gained significant traction globally. As the urban population continues to grow, the need for integrated approaches that encompass urban design, planning, construction and infrastructure is becoming increasingly urgent. This special issue of the *Journal of Construction in Developing Countries* (JCDC) titled "Sustainable Liveable Communities: Synergies between Urban Design, Planning, Construction and Infrastructure" aims to explore these vital intersections and provide a comprehensive understanding of how these elements can be harmonised to create sustainable, resilient and liveable urban environments.

The articles in this issue cover a broad spectrum of topics, including the integration of green and blue infrastructure, community-centred design, smart city technologies and climate change adaptation. We delve into case studies from developing countries and empirical research, we aim to highlight successful initiatives and identify best practices that can be applied in different contexts.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the authors for their valuable contributions and for sharing their research and insights. We also express our deep appreciation to our dedicated editorial team and the reviewers for their meticulous work and thoughtful feedback, which have significantly enhanced the quality of this issue.

We hope this special issue serves as a valuable resource for researchers, practitioners, policymakers and students alike, inspiring new ideas and collaborative efforts towards building sustainable liveable communities in developing countries and beyond. By fostering a deeper understanding of the synergies between urban design, planning, construction and infrastructure, we aim to contribute to the global discourse on sustainable urbanisation and support the transition towards more sustainable and equitable cities.

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