

Call for Papers

The 2nd Global Urban Governance and Policy Conference

**Conference Theme: Global Urban Innovation, Artificial Intelligence, and
Sustainable Development**

June 29–30, 2024

Shanghai, China

Organizers

School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA), Shanghai Jiao Tong
University

China Institute for Urban Governance Research Institute (CIUG), Shanghai Jiao
Tong University

Co-Organizers

China–America Association for Public Affairs (CAAPA)

Chinese Policy Scholars Group (CPSG)

Urban China Research Network (UCRN)

Shanghai Coordination Center of World Cities Day

International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS)

We sincerely invite you to submit papers and participate in the 2nd Global Urban Governance and Policy Conference.

Conference Theme Artificial Intelligence, Urban Innovations, and Sustainable Development

Over the past few decades, an increasing number of people have been living in cities. According to the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, the global urban population is expected to increase by 2.2 billion from 2021 to 2050, with the urban population share rising from 56% in 2021 to 68% in 2050. Cities, as one of humanity's greatest inventions, provide a better life for people but also face a series of pressing issues. Addressing these challenges requires extensive collaboration among governments, societies, businesses, and the public, as well as interdisciplinary and international participation from experts and scholars.

Following the inaugural Global (Chinese) Urban Governance and Policy Symposium in July 2023, global cities are facing new opportunities and challenges. Post-pandemic economic innovation and the comprehensive impact of artificial intelligence on human society, especially in cities, are of particular concern. Therefore, we focus on the following topics:

- History and future of urban governance and public policy disciplines from a global perspective
- Retrospect and prospect of urban governance and public policy theories globally
- Innovation theories and practices of urban governance, enterprises, and social organizations under a global perspective
- Urban policy agendas, implementation, and evaluation under a global perspective
- Global comparative analysis of science, technology, and innovation policies
- Policies and theories for urban “dual carbon” and sustainable development goals (SDG)
- Opportunities, challenges, and governance of the new generation artificial intelligence technology

- Artificial intelligence technology and future cities
- Innovation in smart cities
- Digital empowerment and high-quality development of urban governance
- Challenges and responses to climate change, environmental pollution, and sudden public events
- Urban resilience, security, and emergency management

Special Session 1: Global practices and theories for innovation districts

Special Session 2: Collaborative governance in digital transformation

Conference Format

The conference will be held offline-only. The special sections are in hybrid format.

Conference location: Shanghai Jiao Tong University's Xuhui Campus and Innovation District

The Global Urban Governance and Policy Symposium will feature a "Dual Track" with traditional "Research Papers" and a new "Innovative Practice" series. When submitting abstracts, participants need to choose one track based on the abstract content.

Conference Schedule

June 28, 2024: Registration

June 29–30, 2024: Conference events

Supporting Journals and Special Issues

Urban Governance

Habitat International

Cities

More journal special issues will be announced soon.

All submitted paper abstracts have the option to be evaluated for special issues in the mentioned journals. The abstract language must be consistent with the language of the selected journal. After review by the academic committee and journal editors, selected abstracts will be invited for full paper submission after the conference.

Abstract Submission Requirements

Please submit a 500-word abstract in Chinese/English by May 5, 2024. Refer to the abstract template attached to this document for formatting. Abstracts must be submitted through the conference system in the following link:

<https://sjtuciug.mike-x.com/SrUhS>

When submitting abstracts online, select the paper topic and indicate whether you want to submit to a special issue. The academic committee will review all submitted abstracts and notify the results by May 5, 2024. For specific submission procedures, please refer to the submission guidelines.

Recent (prospective) doctoral graduates and (prospective) post-doctoral researchers can indicate their status in the abstract submission. The symposium will select outstanding papers to organize an "International Young Scholars Forum," specifically for recent outstanding doctoral students and post-doctoral researchers to showcase their work to participating teachers and recruiters from various universities.

Organizing Special Forums

If you wish to organize a special forum, inform all participants of that forum

to submit abstracts through the normal process. Forum organizers need to email the conference organizing committee before May 5, 2024, explaining the forum's goals, themes, and providing information on all articles participating in the forum (abstract numbers, titles, and all author information).

Submission link: <https://sjtuciug.mike-x.com/SrUhS>

All selected abstracts that complete registration can participate in the Best Conference Paper selection. To receive full consideration for the best paper selection, please submit full manuscript by June 15, 2024. All submitted full manuscript will be automatically eligible best paper awards.

Key Timelines

Abstract submission opens: April 15, 2024

Abstract submission deadline: May 5, 2024

Abstract acceptance notification: May 15, 2024

Registration deadline: June 15, 2024

Conference and on-site registration: June 28-30, 2024

Registration Fees

Regular attendance: CNY 1000 / USD 150

Student attendance: CNY 500 / USD 75

Site Visit: Best Practices in Urban Governance: CNY 150 (optional)

If you have any questions, please contact: gcurban@163.com