

The diversity of papers about smart city

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It is my pleasure being the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Smart Cities (JSC) established in 2015. In the past three years, the founding editor prof. Andreas J. Kappos has made great effort to this journal to promote research for the improvement of all sub-systems of cities, including urban infrastructure, construction, mobility, energy saving and renewable energy, health and social care, safety in the public space, work and innovation, and make the city easily accessible, effective, efficient, and an attractive place to live. Now, smart city has already been developed into a new concept to support the urban development in the world. The application and innovation of smart cities can effectively improve the efficiency of urban management and the quality of life in cities. I would like to do my best to keep a good heart of JSC to bring an international readership from many disciplines of researchers, developers, users, and decision makers to share and advance knowledge on smart cities.

JSC started semi-annual academic publication firstly published in 2015 with fruitful help of the first editorial board, our target is to build a high-level, peer-reviewed, open-access journal with the quality that can be indexed by SCI, EI and other significant international academic databases. At the begin of 2019, JSC is able to estimate its mock impact factor. There are total 3425 PDF downloads which published during 2016 to 2018 from our website. From 2016 to 2018, contributions from 28 institutions in 12 countries have been published by JSC, as shown in (Figure 1).

Expanding upon the foundation and reputation established by former editors, JSC will continue to facilitate the exchange of diversified innovative researches and developments as well as the application innovations about smart cities. More and more papers about digital twin city, urban informatics, social

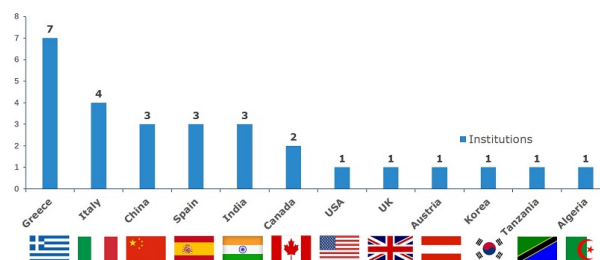


Figure 1. Numbers of Institutions contributed manuscripts from 2016 to 2018

sensing and urban computing, spatio-temporal big data and urban brain, further aspects of smart cities, would be attractive to a wider readers.

Last but not least, I would like to invite you to be an enthusiastic reader of JSC, and to contribute research articles or comprehensive reviews for consideration and publication in our journal.

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