
EDITORIAL

Dear readers,

The latest issue of *Spatium* (No. 53) reflects on both resistance and adaptation as the two sides of a coin, or the unity of opposite narratives. This may have captured a highly sensitive moment, especially considering the present social, political and environmental concerns, both locally and globally. The cross-national studies in this edition include examples of Iranian, Nigerian, Serbian and Western European regional and urban planning, housing, and architectural pedagogy, which encapsulate diverse contextual knowledge. The contents include: discourse arising from analysing policies and planning frameworks; the motives and types of citizen/local community engagement in environmental protection in mining areas; the elements of territorial capital and their correlation with competitive regional growth; the specific issue of public spaces and urban land use as predictors of potential radical terrorist strikes; and to conclude, an analysis of the integrity of the urban planning process and development of more adaptable, ecologically and socially inclusive advancements in family house design, with a review of community-based architectural pedagogy. Going back to the resistance and adaptation narratives (from the beginning of this Editorial), let me quote one of the articles in this issue of *Spatium*: “Looking beyond, transformative steps are essential.” N’est pas?

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