

URBANSUSTAINABILITY

The challenge for urban planners in incorporating sustainability into their planning models is not limited to reducing emissions. Comprehensive sustainable planning for communities encompasses the impact of planning on an exhaustive range of urban challenges from health indicators to crime.

A conference to be held in Glasgow, Scotland this June entitled “Sustainable Urban Development: Meeting the Challenges of Whole Life Assessment” – will examine the scope of community planning for sustainability.

The conference will focus on the need for robust assessment mechanisms that can be applied by planners and civic officials to meet sustainability goals. Topics included will cover: the economics of urban sustainability, environmental justice, lifecycle assessment, democratic participation for urban sustainability, sustainability principles for at-risk societies, and common protocols for measuring urban sustainability.