

PUBLIC CALL FOR A THEMATIC DOSSIER

Socio-territorial Justice, Intersectionality and the Right to the City contemporary challenges of Brazilian urban policy

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The *Journal of the Federal Regional Court of the First Region* (Qualis A4), a legal periodical devoted to publishing original articles, research findings, interviews, critical reviews, essays and translations, hereby invites authors to contribute to the Dossier **Socio-territorial Justice, Intersectionality and the Right to the City: contemporary challenges of Brazilian urban policy**, organized by the Guest Editors Prof. Daniella Maria dos Santos Dias, PhD (Federal University of Pará) and Prof. Maria Cláudia Bentes Albuquerque, PhD (Universidade da Amazônia – UNAMA), and by the Director and Editor-in-Chief of the journal, Desembargador Federal Prof. Hercules Fajoses, M.A.

SCOPE

Socio-territorial justice has progressively established itself as a central analytical category in debates on urban policy, structural inequalities and the realization of fundamental rights. It is a cross-cutting field that articulates the right to the city, the housing question, land tenure regularization, the intersectionality of race, gender and class, and the role of justice institutions.

The consolidation of a socio-territorial normative agenda involves dialogue with the Inter-American Human Rights System, Brazilian constitutional case law and comparative experiences, as well as engagement among the legal field, the social sciences, public policy and social movements.

This dossier seeks to bring together theoretical and empirical reflections on the multiple dimensions of socio-territorial justice, with particular attention to urban inequalities, *favelas*, land conflicts and contemporary forms of realizing the right to the city in Brazil. We expressly encourage submissions that adopt race, gender and class as central analytical lenses.

THEMATIC AXES

Socio-territorial Justice and Urban Inequalities — This axis encompasses analyses of territorial inequalities, access to public services, urban mobility, infrastructure and the spatial distribution of citizenship.

Guiding questions:

- a. *How can the law respond to territorial inequalities in access to public services and urban infrastructure?*
- b. *Which normative parameters guide the promotion of inclusive urban mobility in contexts of socio-spatial segregation?*

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Intersectionality and Territory — This axis covers studies on race, gender and class as structuring dimensions of urban inequalities and public policies, with attention to historically marginalized groups.

Guiding questions:

- a. *In what ways do race, gender and class structure access to urban land, housing and city infrastructure?*
- b. *How can urban policies incorporate intersectional analysis to confront historical patterns of exclusion?*

The Right to the City, Housing and Favelas — This axis is devoted to housing policies, favela upgrading, land tenure regularization and evictions, examined in light of Brazilian constitutional law and international human rights standards.

Guiding questions:

- a. *What are the limits and possibilities of land tenure regularization instruments in affirming the right to adequate housing?*
- b. *How can favela upgrading policies be reconciled with protection against forced evictions, in light of the standards of the Inter-American Human Rights System?*

Justice Institutions and Urban Policy — This axis examines the role of the Judiciary, the Public Prosecutor's Office (Ministério Público) and the Public Defender's Offices (Defensorias Públicas) in promoting territorial justice, as well as institutional dialogue with urban governance.

Guiding questions:

- a. *What is the role of the Federal Judiciary, the Public Prosecutor's Office and the Public Defender's Offices in realizing the right to the city?*
- b. *How has constitutional adjudication engaged with urban policy instruments and municipal master plans?*

Territorial Experiences, Practices and Resistance — This axis welcomes studies on community initiatives, social movements and innovative urban-transformation practices, with emphasis on resistance, self-management and grassroots leadership.

Guiding questions:

- a. *In what ways have social movements and community initiatives contributed to redefining the normative content of the right to the city?*
- b. *What lessons emerge from innovative urban-transformation practices for shaping public policy in Brazil?*

SUBMISSIONS

Submission requirements include: previously unpublished status, originality, language, file format, word count, formatting, article structure, references, citations and notes.

Manuscripts may be submitted in Portuguese, Spanish, English, French, Italian or German.

Manuscripts will undergo double-blind peer review, in accordance with the guidelines of the Journal of the TRF1.

Approved submissions will be classified into one of the following categories:

- a) Invited Articles**, selected and approved by the Guest Editors based on their technical, legal and academic merit;
- b) Open Submission Articles**, evaluated through the double-blind peer-review system, in accordance with the Journal's guidelines.

All submissions, including invited articles, must be submitted exclusively through the OJS platform of the Journal of the TRF1.

Manuscripts must observe a minimum length of 5,000 words and a maximum of 11,000 words.

Single authorship requires a minimum doctoral degree (PhD). Co-authorship requires that at least one of the authors hold a doctoral degree. Students duly enrolled in *stricto sensu* graduate programs (master's and doctorate) may submit only in co-authorship with a doctorate-holding researcher.

Co-authored contributions must follow the **CRedit (Contributor Roles Taxonomy)** for the definition of authorial responsibilities, which must be declared on a separate title page accompanying the manuscript.

Citations and references must follow the standards **ABNT NBR 10520/2023** and **ABNT NBR 6023/2018**.

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TIMELINE

The submission window for articles under this Call begins on **May 9, 2026** and closes on **August 15, 2026**.

Approved articles will be published on a rolling basis, as they are evaluated and accepted.

The dossier will be closed by **December 15, 2026**, subject to the editorial guidelines of the Journal and to the academic productivity criteria established by CAPES.

FINAL CONSIDERATIONS

No fees will be charged for submission, evaluation or publication.

The opinions expressed and the integrity of the content of the articles are the sole responsibility of the authors.

Should the number of approved articles concentrate within the same thematic axis, the Guest Editors will apply, for the final selection, the criterion of authorship exogeneity established by CAPES.

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