

# Review of: "On the Resilience of Urban Real Estate Development"

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The ideal urban form has been framed using criteria of energy efficiency and compact spatial structure, with counterarguments regarding quality of life and liveability. However, the opposite idea, outwards directed urban development, has been considered more of a deviation than a seriously taken alternative. This debate has shifted from uncritically embracing compactness and densification to a halfway recognition of the potential strengths of a less dense built-up environment. In an urban real estate development context, resilience concerns stretch far beyond the one-dimensionality of the densification vs. dispersion debate. The role of private sector provision is also frequently brought up when options for urban development are evaluated.

The study focuses on the socioeconomic side of the resilience concept, as this objective is relatively neglected in comparison to natural catastrophes and epidemics. The resilience concept is considered more developed in rural settings, and the role of policy-makers, particularly at sub-national levels, in building economic resilience in regions is of paramount importance.

The paper could make a significant contribution to the field of urban real estate. However, it may benefit from certain changes to strengthen its clarity in the sections of the paper. In particular, the abstract might be redesigned to give a better coherent summary of the study. Adding further details concerning urban real estate's resiliency, as well as the most recent studies on the subject and its present issues of the urban real estate, would also help the strengthen introduction. Additionally, a clearer explanation of the connection between sustainability and resilience might be provided. In addition to all these recommendations, the article would benefit from shorter sentences and more citations used consistently. Making these changes would increase the likelihood that the piece will be approved for publication and have a favorable impact.