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EDITORIAL

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Anderson Catapan catapan@utfpr.edu.br Universidade Tecnológica Federal do Paraná. Curitiba. Paraná. Brasil. This editorial introduces the articles featured in the second issue of the fourteenth volume of the Revista Brasileira de Planejamento e Desenvolvimento (Brazilian Journal of Planning and Development – RBPD). As in previous issues, the contributions in this edition address various aspects of planning and development, in keeping with the journal's tradition.

The opening article is entitled "Innovation policy design to scalable crypto-assets in urban public services." It is followed by a discussion on the urbanization process of the municipality of Erechim/RS and its relationship with urban planning. The third article analyzes the territorial effects of the incomplete consolidation of the Rio de Janeiro Petrochemical Complex (COMPERJ) and its impact on the economic performance of the municipality of Itaboraí. The fourth article examines water sustainability in the Cinzas River basin, located in the North Pioneer region of Paraná.

The fifth article highlights financial cooperativism through an evaluation of Sicoob Confiança's performance in rural credit provision. The sixth study presents a multidimensional analysis of indebtedness among consumers assisted by PROCON-AM in Manaus. The next article addresses university physical and territorial planning, identifying viable areas for infrastructure expansion at the Federal University of Juiz de Fora (MG).

The eighth article explores the impact of microcredit on female entrepreneurship during the pandemic, using a case study on the Crediamigo Program in the state of Piauí. The subsequent article discusses the role of higher education institutions in local development, through an analysis of the presence of UNIPAMPA in Uruguaiana/RS. The tenth article focuses on cooperation strategies and the benefits of collective action in family farming in Mozambique. The eleventh contribution analyzes structural heterogeneity, levels of specialization, and productive inequality across geographic regions within the Arco Sul border zone of Brazil.

Concluding this issue, the final article investigates how meso-institutions influence the effectiveness of public policies aimed at family farming, using the implementation challenges of the ARTE Seal in the AMUSEP region of Paraná as a case study.

This edition of RBPD offers significant reflections on regional and institutional dynamics, sustainable development, institutional innovation, social justice, and territorial planning, among other critical themes.

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