

The Concept of Land Sobriety: Zero Net Land Take

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SUMMARY

It has been observed that, over the last fifty years, in order to respond to the urban and even metropolitan aspirations of the territories, France, like other countries, has experienced unprecedented urban sprawl corresponding, among other things, to a rural exodus from the countryside to the city and to public policies favouring aid to housing.

On 13 December 2000, the French parliament passed a law called SRU (Solidarity and Urban Renewal), a law to renovate its urban planning documents with the appearance of local urban plans (PLU) and territorial coherence schemes (SCOT), which has been aiming to “rebuild the city on the city”.

It has to be said that twenty years after the enactment of the SRU law, the objective of rebuilding the city on the city has not been achieved.

In order to respond to the challenges of climate change in our territories, the "Climate and Resilience" law of 22 August 2021 set a trajectory to be followed called ZAN (zero net land take).

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