Urban Planning in Morocco Between the Theoretical Basics and Legal Principles

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SUMMARY
The understanding of an enacted regulation is based on the socio-cultural and legal policy environment. One couldn’t distinguish only the legal rules and approaches but also a series of answers in the short term. An analysis dealing with the theoretical fundamentals and legal principles may help in understanding the scope and limits of the legal framework. The state of the law reveals a series of enacted texts based on the principles used to control and manage the urban space. Principles such as regulation, health and safety are part of a particular theoretical framework. The alignments, zoning, and the consigning of the cultural values to the second level are sufficient to confirm the procedural nature of the regulation in Morocco. The urban plans are becoming reference for regulation and normative documents while the conceptual investigation is sometimes lacking. The applied methods in urban planning have generated for more than a century, an identity crisis and an efficiency crisis. This study has the aim to arrange the ideas, principles, and rules that affect the process of urban planning. It intends to build perspectives on urban planning and the right to observe the basic foundations and the legal framework underlying the urban prospective. To reach this goal, the study is dealing with two axes. The first axis is focusing on the definition of the conceptual and regulatory framework for the planning predict. The second axis is highlighting the scopes and limits of the regulations by pursuing a possible renewal in the urban field through the renewal of the principles and the overhaul of the legal instruments governing urban planning.