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Centro de Investigación de Ciencias Ambientales, Universidad Autónoma del Carmen, Mexico

*Environmental sustainability agenda: Metropolitan Area of Mexicali, Baja California, Mexico*  
R. Rojas-Caldelas, C. Peña-Salmon, E. Corona-Zambrano, A. Arias-Vallejo & O. Leyva-Camacho  
Faculty of Architecture and Design, Autonomous University of Baja California, Mexico

*Community involvement in the assessment of the importance of sustainable rural tourism indicators for protected areas: the case of the Nevado de Toluca National Park in Mexico*  
G. González Guerrero, M. E. Valdez Pérez & R. Morales Ibarra  
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## Sustainable Development and Planning VI

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