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If we ask what the main purpose of spatial planning is, a common answer is that it deals with cities and territories, but this is clearly an elusive answer. A less elusive answer would be to state that spatial planning deals with the management and control of physical space. However, controlling space through planning techniques is better conceived as applying a tool or implementing a process; as a tool can never itself be an aim. [...] Spatial planning is therefore conceived as one form of sectorial knowledge – one among others, each characterised by its own aim, and all functional to territorial governance and its objectives.

Luigi Mazza and Marco Bianconi
“Which aims and knowledge for spatial planning?”

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*To my family
For teaching me that
difficult roads always lead
to the best destination*

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