Railway station mega-projects have been, or are being, undertaken in almost every large city in Europe, but they have been little studied. This issue addresses that shortcoming by presenting a number of recent cases of large-scale urban redevelopment projects centred around rail stations, embedding these accounts in a wider academic debate over rail stations as strategic sites in the post-industrial restructuring of inner cities. Together, the contributors to this issue demonstrate how inter-modally connected, mixed-use developments at centrally located rail hubs are a crucial element in the challenge to develop more sustainable human settlements.

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