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Strategic Planning and Control in Complex Project Management

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This Special Issue aims to publish research related to innovative theories, approaches, or practices for improving planning and control in complex projects/programs/portfolios. Multi-disciplinary research is essential in this area due to the inherent complexity and challenges associated with managing large-scale projects. Original theoretical and experimental work, case studies, and comprehensive review papers are invited. Relevant topics to this Special Issue include but are not limited to the following subjects:

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- Innovative approaches in strategic planning and control in complex projects;
- Risk management for planning and control in complex projects;
- Interface management in complex projects/programs/portfolios;
- Stakeholder engagement in project planning and control:
- The creation and exploitation of different competencies in strategic planning;
- Strategic project planning and control under climate change;
- The use of information technologies in strategic planning and control.

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