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The United Nations have identified "global access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and clean energy" as one of 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). Yet, the current global energy mix is mainly based on non-renewable energy sources and is thus still far from achieving this goal. Most current global environmental challenges are at least partly driven by the global energy system. In order to achieve the SDG, extensive measures within the energy system need to be implemented. However, researchers looking into the global technology shift are confronted with the fact that not only fossil energy technologies cause negative environmental impacts, as renewable energy technologies are also facing challenges to minimise environmental impacts.

Contributions in this Special Issue identify what are the relevant environmental impacts of current and new energy technologies and which strategies to reduce the environmental footprint of the global energy system are feasible.











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