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Public Policies for Rural Development: Circular Deals, Digital Revolution, and Inclusive Engagement

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The Special Issue aims to be part of the debate on the future of rural areas and the role they have to play in our society in local economies and in the creation of a sustainable food systems and bioeconomy. We invite articles that creatively analyze the potential of rural areas, document the transformation of human and technical resources, and contribute to the debate on public policy instruments that reflect the directions of change in Europe, especially in light of the ambitious objectives to be climate neutral by 2050. We also welcome articles on rural development pathways and modern policies in different regions of the world.

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