



Global Perspectives of Business Environment

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Message from the Guest Editors

The business environment reflects the existing economic objectives and preconditions for the economic activities of business subjects. A quality business environment is the basic prerequisite for the sustainable development of enterprises and the growth of competitiveness, and the quality of the business environment is a measure of the achieved economic results. Monitoring the quality of the business environment points to the fact that the most important areas for determining business purposes and decisions in practice are not only corporate and capital management and financial policy but also macro-economic factors. However, the latest developments have been affected by the coronavirus pandemic, which will change the future perspectives of enterprises worldwide. Knowing how to reduce the accompanying risks can stabilise financial markets and economies.

This Special Issue is particularly interested in papers focusing on (1) the global perspectives and trends of financial markets; (2) corporate finance and the systematic risks of enterprises; and (3) the impact of COVID-19 on the business environment and financial markets.





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