

Special Issue

Corporate Financial Performance and Sustainability Practices

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue examines the intersection between corporate sustainability practices and financial performance, exploring how environmental, social, and governance (ESG) initiatives impact firm value and competitiveness. Research shows mixed findings, with some studies reporting positive links between sustainability and profitability, while others reveal effects depending on context. We welcome empirical and theoretical contributions investigating the impact of carbon reduction initiatives on efficiency, the role of sustainable supply chains in competitive advantage, and the financial returns from social responsibility investments. Research examining how sustainability reporting quality affects investor perceptions and market valuations, and studies analyzing the moderating effects of governance and regulation are encouraged. Methodological innovations addressing endogeneity are welcome, as are papers exploring whether sustainability investments generate short-term costs versus long-term benefits. Emerging themes include green finance, sustainable business models, stakeholder engagement, technological disruption, and comparisons of developed and emerging markets.

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