

Special Issue

Financing Responsible Small- and Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs)

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This Special Issue focuses on the topic of “Financing Responsible Small- and Medium-Sized Enterprises” and includes novel research and discussion on financing measures, instruments, and actions aimed at supporting SMEs having a clear and dedicated focus on being or becoming a responsible actor of society. More precisely, the focus is on SMEs committed to making an active contribution to reaching the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Thereby, this Special Issue covers all types of smaller firms, i.e., newly founded and mature ones as well as small firms that are preparing succession/business transfers. Considering that small firms encounter more difficulties in collecting external finance compared to their larger counterparts, theoretical, conceptual, and empirical articles on new and innovative approaches to financing different stages of a small firm’s efforts to remain or become a responsible company are welcome. Contributions focusing on novel financing measures and instruments dedicated to responsible activities in SMEs as well as other issues related to financing responsible small firms are encouraged.

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