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Message from the Guest Editors

The growing call for more sustainability – socially, economically, and environmentally – has unveiled the limitations of our current logistical systems. Despite huge efforts to improve the efficiency of individual company operations, a large gap remains between the performance of the current system and the ambitious goals set by policy makers and corroboration by our society for the near and distant future.

The future vision of logistics is built upon the idea of collaboration, and relies on the integration of logistical operations beyond company boundaries. Through active synchronization of flows within a shared logistical network (often referred to as a 'physical internet'), companies co-create synergies that could not have been seized by operating individually.

This Special Issue aims to contribute to the discussion on how collaborative logistics can catalyze the transition towards a new, more sustainable organization of our logistical systems.



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