



## Modeling and Simulation of Metallurgical Processes in Ironmaking and Steelmaking

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### Message from the Guest Editors

The UN's 2030 Sustainable Development Goals, the Paris Agreement, and the European Green Deal, among other goals, all aim to improve the sustainability of industrial production and to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. This goal cannot be achieved without the ironmaking and steelmaking industries.

To reach this goal, further process optimizations with regard to energy and resource efficiency, as well as the development of new processes or process routes, are needed.

Modeling and simulation have thus established themselves as an invaluable source of information regarding otherwise unknown process parameters, and as an alternative to plant trials with a lower associated cost, risk, and duration. Models are also applicable for model-based control of metallurgical processes.

In this Special Issue “Modeling and Simulation of Metallurgical Processes in Ironmaking and Steelmaking”, we aim to collect regular and review articles to showcase the recent advances in the modeling and simulation of unit processes in ironmaking and steelmaking. We also encourage studies that examine the integration of process models to simulate process chains.





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