

Special Issue

Exploring and Unlocking Africa's Mineral Wealth: Current Advances and Future Prospects

Message from the Guest Editors

In this Special Issue of *Minerals*, we aim to collate papers that discuss Africa's mineral wealth, focusing on current advances and future prospects. For this Special Issue, we invite submissions from all researchers interested in mineral endowment and who wish to discuss the different commodities mined in Africa. We welcome papers that highlight new technologies in the sustainable development of mining and environment-related papers that shed light on future opportunities within mining. Works that develop methodological approaches and frameworks; studies of environmental, social, and governance (ESG)-related topics; and studies discussing how we might shape the future of minerals in Africa will form the basis of this Special Edition.

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