

Special Issue

Food Loss and Waste: The Challenge of a Sustainable Management through a Circular Economy Perspective

Message from the Guest Editors

In recent years, the importance of monitoring and reducing food loss and waste (FLW) throughout the entire food supply chain (FSC) has been widely recognized. This SI focuses on the sustainable management of FLW through stimulating contributions that address the valorisation of FLW from both business and consumer perspectives. Therefore, we anticipate contributions covering applied research focused on the following: (i) business case-studies and solutions emphasizing the valorisation of loss, by-products, and waste in the various stages of FSC; (ii) the role of digital innovation and reinvention, as well as of social-medias, for preventing, monitoring, and reducing FLW; and (iii) the investigation of the active role consumers play both when purchasing and consuming food (at home or out-of-home). Moreover, with the aim of emphasizing the importance of re-using resources throughout the FSC, methodologic contributions aimed at improving the methodologies and processes for collecting reliable data on loss and waste are also welcome.

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