



Evaluating the Socioeconomic Impact of Infrastructure Investment in an Uncertain World

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Infrastructure investment plays an indispensable role in promoting regional economic growth and improving the quality of life. While many previous studies have attempted to evaluate the socioeconomic impact of infrastructure investment from both ex-ante and ex-post perspectives, the comprehensive understanding of the extent to which the infrastructure development has affected or is expected to affect society, the economy, and quality of life remains limited. The outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic has further enlarged the challenges of infrastructure development. The rapid development and adoption of new services and technologies brings new opportunities for infrastructure investment. However, our understanding of the wider socioeconomic impact of the investments in these domains remains scant. Hence, it becomes imperative to develop new knowledge and approaches in order to foster sound strategies to achieve the sustainable development of infrastructure in an uncertain world. We invite submissions that explore issues related to social, economic, and environmental and comprehensive impact assessment of infrastructure investment, using new data, methods, and concepts.





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