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Human Sustainability Across the Life Course: Integrating Economic Decisions, Work Trajectories and Digital Transitions

Message from the Guest Editor

Human sustainability has emerged as a key concept for understanding how individuals navigate increasingly complex and uncertain environments. However, research in this area often remains fragmented, with separate traditions examining economic behavior, work trajectories, or educational processes in isolation. At the same time, individuals are required to make inter-related decisions across these domains. Financial planning, career development, and engagement with digital technologies are no longer independent processes but mutually reinforcing dimensions of long-term adaptation. A life-course perspective offers a useful framework to capture how these processes unfold over time and how early conditions shape later outcomes. This Special Issue will advance an integrated approach to human sustainability by bringing together contributions that examine how individuals sustain functioning, well-being, and participation across economic, occupational, and educational contexts. Particular attention is given to processes of adaptation under structural change, including digitalization, demographic shifts, and labor market transformations.

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