

Special Issue

Gender Inequality and Sustainable Development: Women's Empowerment and Effective Participation

Message from the Guest Editor

Sustainability does not only mean environmental care and ecological transition. It is a more complex concept that concerns the relationship between the economy and society and is therefore also part of broader social sustainability, of which gender equality is one of the pillars. In fact, it goes far beyond the issue of gender equality or social justice. In fact, for Goal 5 (gender equality) of the UN 2030 Agenda, gender equality, empowerment, and self-determination of all women and girls are not just a few issues among others but rather the strategic theme that cuts across all the other goals. None of them can be tackled without the gender lens that envisages an active, leading, and empowering role for women; no society can prosper if it wastes, disperses, and plunders half of its human resources. The aim of this Special Issue is to fill key gaps in the literature, offering scholars the opportunity to examine emerging trends in corporate policies, strategies, and practices related to sustainability and gender equity issues.

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