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Sustainable Energy Trade and Environmental Performance: Technological Innovations and Human Responses

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As the global community increases efforts to meet climate goals and transition toward low-carbon economies, the sustainable energy trade has emerged as a key mechanism of aligning economic growth with environmental responsibility. However, beyond technological advancement, the success of these transitions depends heavily on human behavior, perception, and psychological adaptation to climate change. This Special Issue explores the intersection of smart technologies like artificial intelligence with the cognitive and social dimensions of sustainability. We welcome contributions that investigate how digital tools, policy frameworks, and innovative energy trade models influence environmental performance, while also addressing psychological and behavioral responses to climate-related risks and transitions. Research focused on the human factors driving energy decisions, climate anxiety, sustainability awareness, and behavioral interventions is particularly encouraged, alongside studies of Al-driven optimization, smart energy systems, and carbon accounting innovations.

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