Special Issue

The Role of Small and Medium Enterprises in Realizing the Sustainable Development Goals

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This Special Issue aims to expand the literature on conceptual models, pragmatic experiences and reviews about SMEs-related strategies to accomplish the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We hope to invite sustainability scholars and practitioners to submit their high-quality papers to this Special Issue. We particularly welcome submissions from institutions located in the Global South or other institutions worldwide focusing on the role of SMEs in the Global South. Research areas may include (but are not limited to) the following: Energy efficiency;

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Industry 4.0 and SMEs;

Sustainable finance;

Innovation and SMEs:

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Circular economy;

Corporate social responsibility.

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