

## Special Issue

# Cross-Cultural Design for Sustainability: From Design Thinking to Design Strategy

### Message from the Guest Editors

With increasing global competition, cross-cultural design is not merely desirable for a company in the design field, but rather is mandatory. On the other hand, the importance of studying sustainability is shown repeatedly in academic research studies in all fields. However, there is a lack of systematic approaches that cover 'sustainability' in cross-cultural design industries. For future studies, we need a better understanding of sustainability not only for cross-cultural design, but also for environmental protection and social equality. While cultural features become important issues in the interactive experiences of users, the sustainability between humans and culture becomes a vital issue in cross-cultural product design and is worthy of further in-depth study. Therefore, this Special Issue focuses on discussing how to use 'design thinking' in designing the cross-cultural product to build a 'design strategy' from the perspective of sustainable development. Whether it is the construction of a theoretical level or the promotion of practical applications, it still needs more effort from us.

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