Special Issue

Energy Economy and Green Development: Pathways to Sustainable Transitions

Message from the Guest Editor

This Special Issue explores the nexus between energy economies and green development in Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA), focusing on how sustainable energy transitions—driven by innovation, finance, and policy can foster inclusive growth, climate resilience, and socio-economic opportunity. It welcomes theoretical and empirical research on the shift from fossil fuels to renewable, low-carbon systems aligned with the SDGs. Topics include renewable energy development (solar, wind, hydro, bioenergy); green growth through diversification, jobs, and industrial upgrading; policy and regulation (carbon pricing, subsidies, industrial policy); technological innovation (smart grids, storage, minigrids, efficiency); green finance (bonds, concessional lending, impact investing); and social sustainability (energy access, justice, gender, rural development). Both country-specific and regional studies are encouraged, including those using econometric and causal inference methods. The Issue aims to highlight trade-offs and synergies between growth and sustainability, offering policy-relevant insights to governments, investors, and development actors.

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