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Sustainability in Economics: Environmental Economics and Resource Economics

Message from the Guest Editors

Modern economics increasingly incorporates challenges related to environmental degradation and the depletion of natural resources. Two key disciplines – environmental economics and resource economics – play a fundamental role in understanding and addressing these issues. Environmental economics examines how economic activity impacts the environment and how ecological damage can be mitigated while promoting economic growth. Resource economics focuses on managing limited natural resources efficiently and equitably over time. In the face of global challenges like the climate crisis, resource depletion, and developmental inequalities, environmental and resource economics provide essential tools for designing policies that support sustainable development, social equity, and long-term ecological and economic stability. In light of contemporary challenges—such as the energy transition, the need for decarbonization, and ensuring resource security—both disciplines offer important theoretical and practical foundations for supporting processes aimed at sustainable development and enhancing ecosystem resilience.

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