

## Special Issue

# Sustainable Development Education for the 21st Century: Teaching Method and Education System

### Message from the Guest Editors

The 21st century presents a complex web of challenges—from climate change and environmental degradation to social inequality and economic uncertainty. Amidst these global concerns, education is increasingly viewed as a key catalyst for change. Preparing students not just to understand sustainability challenges, but to actively engage with them, is now an urgent educational priority. This Special Issue aims to bring together fresh perspectives, evidence-based practices, and innovative strategies that promote sustainability education across different levels and contexts. We are particularly interested in how new pedagogical models, curriculum designs, and institutional approaches can help equip learners with the knowledge, competencies, and values necessary to contribute to a more sustainable future. By focusing on the role of education in shaping sustainable societies, this issue supports the advancement of several key Sustainable Development Goals—most notably, **SDG 4 (Quality Education)**, **SDG 13 (Climate Action)**, and **SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals)**.

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