

Special Issue

Bridging Informal Divides: Urban Food Security and Sustainable Livelihoods in the Global South

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue examines how informal food entrepreneurs navigate economic, spatial, and regulatory divides to sustain urban food systems. We explore how their practices influence food accessibility, nutritional outcomes, and ecological sustainability while fostering community resilience. We welcome interdisciplinary, critical, and empirical contributions analyzing the intersections of urban informality, food security, and sustainability transitions across Global South contexts. Studies may address (but are not limited to) the following topics:

- Grassroots innovations in circular food economies;
- Governance of informal food spaces for sustainability;
- Equity dimensions of urban food access;
- Climate resilience in small-scale food distribution;
- Policy gaps in supporting informal food livelihoods.

We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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