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In recent decades, the rapid growth of the world population and its uneven distribution within countries have presented major policy problems for public administration at various levels. In particular, many countries have experienced the rapid growth of large cities in recent years, which have become the national centers of various economic and social activities. However, innovation activities typically take place in developed urban centers. This has led to the emergence of so-called center–periphery location patterns. This Special Issue aims to bring together contemporary research that provides new insights into how sustainable development can be achieved at the regional level and embedded into regional development policy and practice. Potential research areas include the following: How can innovation or entrepreneurship underpin sustainable regional development? What are the best practice indicators and approaches for evaluating sustainable regional development? What governance structures are effective in supporting the embedding of sustainable development into regional development practices?

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