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Governance for Sustainable Development in Troubled Times

Message from the Guest Editors

Embedded in the normative principles of inter and intra generational equity, the promotion of sustainable development has come to be seen as requiring complex systems of multi-sector, multi-level governance, open to participatory and reflexive processes. However, in recent times governance practices have been reshaped by managerialist and neo-liberal trends, diverting practices away from the original sustainable development imaginary. Furthermore, governance efforts are now confronted with social, economic and political contexts characterised by austerity, populist politics and the “securitisation” of the environmental agenda. These “troubled times” offer values that directly contradict the sustainable development imaginary. This SI asks for papers that explore context dynamics to examine whether the existing understanding of governance for sustainable development continues to be relevant.

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