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Manufacturing dictates the efficiency with which resource inputs are transformed into economically valuable outputs in the form of products and services, and is also responsible for the resulting waste and pollution. About one third of global total energy consumption is associated to manufacturing activities: thus, achieving higher energy efficiency in this sector has been the focus of research as well as of policy and industrial programs in recent years. In particular, being able to effectively manage energy and energy-related activities has proven to be a fundamental capability for companies willing to improve their sustainability, as it constitutes the first, critical step to understanding their processes and to identifying and correctly evaluating improvement opportunities. This Special Issue focuses on Energy Management and Sustainability of both manufacturing processes and systems, including methods, practices, tools, applications and experiences. Prof Vito Introna

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