

## Special Issue

# Sustainable Digitalization: Access to Information and Information Preservation

### Message from the Guest Editors

Sustainable digitalization is more critical than ever, as digital technologies are deeply integrated into our daily lives. This concept focuses on preserving digital content for future generations while ensuring fair access to knowledge. It aims to strike a balance between environmental stewardship and technological innovation. As the volume of digital resources grows rapidly, we face challenges related to their lifespan and accessibility, necessitating innovative solutions for knowledge preservation. This Special Issue aims to foster inclusivity and resilience in response to ongoing technological advancements, addressing these challenges and contributing to the creation of a more sustainable digital environment. This topic aligns closely with the *Sustainability* journal's focus on multidisciplinary research aimed at addressing sustainability in environmental, social, and economic dimensions. This Special Issue will enhance our understanding of how digital practices can support sustainable development goals by emphasizing sustainable digitalization, ultimately fostering a more resilient and inclusive digital future.

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