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The concept of sustainability is very broad and can be approached from different perspectives. It includes a diverse range of ideas, such as the following: **ecological sustainability**, when we assume that nature is not an inexhaustible source of resources and that any development of a productive sector must avoid irreversible changes in the ecosystems where it is developed; **social sustainability**, when the development of different productive sectors satisfies the needs of all social groups in a community without compromising the needs of future generations; **cultural sustainability**, when a community is capable of retaining its cultural roots or adopting its own distinctive cultural characteristics in the face of the development of new sectors; and **economic sustainability**, which ensures the level of economic gain required for the sector to be viable. Keywords

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- cultural sustainability
- social sustainability
- ecological sustainability.

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