

## Special Issue

# Sustainability in Rural Transformation and Development through the Lens of Human (Im)mobilities

### Message from the Guest Editors

The following questions seem relevant when thinking about the future of rural areas: How can rural development achieve the target of sustainability? How vulnerable is sustainable rural development due to the expected effects of climate change? How far agriculture and, more specifically, family farming can maintain its balancing role in the countryside and/or reinforce its connections to sustainable rural development? Which are the new roles of internal/international migrants and the new stakeholders in addressing the sustainability goals for rural areas? This Special Issue will comprise a selection of papers presenting original and innovative contributions, based on quantitative, qualitative and/or geographical data, to the advancement of sustainability research in rural areas by examining the role of human (im)mobilities and new social actors/stakeholders for obtaining rural resilience, maintaining family farming, safeguarding the rural commons and increasing the attractiveness of rural regions.

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