

Special Issue

Regional and Local Economic Development and Policies in Sustainable Economy

Message from the Guest Editor

In this Special Issue, we particularly encourage papers that scrutinize the sustainable aspects of regional and local economic activities in the post-COVID era. This could encompass studies focusing on:

- Economic impact analysis and input-output assessments that factor in environmental and workforce development considerations.
- Strategies for reintegrating former coal industry workers into sustainable sectors.
- The exploration of fourth-wave economic development policies, especially those that consider the implications for a sustainable economy.
- Innovative approaches to recreation, tourism, and other economic development alternatives for regions historically dependent on resource extraction as their economic foundation.
- The role of sustainable agriculture practices in enhancing food security, promoting local economies, and preserving the environment.

We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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