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Built Environment and Sustainable Energy Efficiency

Message from the Guest Editors

The built environment plays a pivotal role in the global effort to achieve sustainable development. With buildings accounting for a significant proportion of energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions worldwide, enhancing energy efficiency within this sector is critical. Innovations in materials, construction techniques, energy systems, and urban planning offer promising opportunities to minimize environmental impacts while maintaining functionality, comfort, and resilience. The intersection of the built environment and sustainability is central to addressing the urgent challenges of climate change and resource depletion. With buildings and infrastructure accounting for a substantial share of global energy use and emissions, improving energy efficiency is not merely a technical goal. This Special Issue aims to bring together cuttingedge research and perspectives on integrating energyefficient practices into the design, construction, and operation of the built environment. The Special Issue will serve as a platform for interdisciplinary dialog, addressing the technological, economic, social, and policy dimensions of energy efficiency.

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