Special Issue

ESG and the Net Zero Transition: Operations and Innovation for Sustainability

Message from the Guest Editors

The aim of this Special Issue is to explore how the ESG pillars—individually and collectively—contribute to achieving net-zero, and what operational strategies and innovations are required to achieve sustainability goals. We invite original research, applied articles, case studies, and systematic reviews that advance the understanding of how ESG practices facilitate net-zero transition, operational transformation, and innovations for sustainability. Contributors may address, but are not limited to, one or more of the following areas:

- Individual and collective impacts of ESG pillars on achieving the net-zero outcomes
- Operational models that support ESG implementation and decarbonization efforts
- Innovations that enable ESG-driven pathways to sustainability
- The role of ESG metrics, disclosure practices, and climate actions
- The relationship between corporate governance and climate goals
- Cross-sectoral and global perspectives on ESG and net-zero transitions
- Sector-specific studies on net-zero transitions
- Case-based insights on ESG integration within netzero strategies across various sectors

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