

Special Issue

Transdisciplinary Approach in Sustainable Shipping: Transition to a Zero-Emission Maritime Industry

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue invites studies that explore a zero-emission maritime sector with a comprehensive focus on the entire value chain. We invite contributions that share insights from engineering, environmental science, economics, policy, and social sciences. Topics of interest include sustainable shipbuilding practices, advancements in green ship technologies, port decarbonization strategies, and the policy frameworks necessary to drive the transition to zero-emission shipping. Our goal is to provide a transdisciplinary perspective on how the maritime industry can achieve its sustainability targets and contribute meaningfully to global decarbonization efforts. Research areas of particular interest include (but are not limited to) the following:

- Advanced propulsion systems;
- Alternative fuels;
- Automation;
- Carbon abatement technologies;
- Carbon capture, utilization, and storage (CCUS);
- Digitalization ;
- Energy efficiency measures;
- New energy carriers;
- Energy transition in shipping;
- Green technologies;
- Global and regional policies for sustainable shipping;
- Economic incentives ;
- Lifecycle assessment.

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