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Message from the Guest Editors

With the advent of agriculture the food provider role emerged in small but equally sustained groups. Over time, farmers were even able to feed outsiders, who exchanged what they held of value for the food that sustained them. Some farmers and traders exchanged deeply and this synergy substantially improved yield for capital-expanding farmers, as it did farm waste, and farming's impacts on the environment. Consequently, certain farmers enjoyed the greater, ongoing accumulation of different forms of capital—more land, animals, pottery and vessels, gemstones and ultimately available coinage. With the deepened commercialization of farming, mechanization, and other productions in the division of human labor, substantial growth in different wealth arenas ensued—industrial agriculture, oil, mines, railroads, banking. Today, the world houses about 2200 billionaires, while roughly 10% (over 800 million) of the world's population is food insecure and near starvation. Sustainability is relatively absent in the economic, social and environmental life.

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