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Commodity Trade and Sustainability

Message from the Guest Editors

Sustainability is now considered a key performance indicator and extends beyond more traditional ESG policies to incorporate Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) into Commodity trading firms' (CTFs) business strategy. However, the challenges remain formidable. Increased transparency and traceability also put pressure on the business model of traders, typically trading fungible volumes hedged with financialized derivatives in which value is captured based upon arbitrage derived from information asymmetry. New opportunities also arise for CTFs, with renewables and organics emerging as product groups in their own right. This Special Issue welcomes papers that both conceptually and empirically focus on sustainability and the global trade in commodities. We welcome both (business) case studies of different commodity product groups (agri, softs, energy, and metals and minerals) and value chains addressing strategic interventions and governance concerns, as well as more technical analysis covering sustainability in commodities trade.

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