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# Sustainable Rural Development Practices and Results: Learnings and Results from Policies and Initiatives

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We encourage researchers to submit contributions in the priority areas below; strategies to tackle depopulation of rural areas; social innovation and rural change; networks of actors and governance in rural development; the added value of projects and initiatives: youth and gender perspectives in rural development; neo-endogenous rural development as a tool for enhancing agricultural landscapes, quality productions, and agri-foods chains; agricultural landscapes and quality productions in rural areas; tools, digital innovations, and virtual and augmented reality for the study, interpretation, and enhancement of local resources, agricultural landscapes, and future scenarios; learnings from successful and failed initiatives in the practice of rural development; natural and cultural heritage as tools for rural development; the impact of the out-migration of young people in rural areas-irregular vs. circular experiences; rural extension and smallfarmers' ability to innovate and adapt to market and climate change; ageing, loneliness, and rural contexts; linkages between rural development, food security, and migration intentions in the Central American context

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