

Regional and Sustainable Development in a Globalized World

Introduction to the Issue

In an era where the forces of globalization are reshaping the contours of economies, societies, and environments worldwide, the quest for sustainable development within regional contexts has emerged as a pivotal arena of scholarly and practical interest. This issue of our journal invites contributions that delve into the intricate dynamics of promoting sustainable development at the regional level against the backdrop of a globalized world. We aim to foster a multidisciplinary dialogue that bridges theoretical insights with empirical research, shedding light on the pathways, challenges, and opportunities for regions seeking to achieve sustainability while interconnected in a global economic, social, and environmental system.

Scope and Themes

The issue focuses on a broad spectrum of themes at the intersection of regional development, sustainability, and globalization, including but not limited to:

1. **Local Governance and Community Participation:**
 - Best practices in local governance for facilitating sustainable development.
 - Strategies for enhancing community participation and ensuring that development projects meet local needs.
2. **Economic Sustainability and Regional Growth:**
 - Economic policies and models that support sustainable growth at the regional level.
 - The impact of investments and labour migration on regional sustainability.
3. **Technological Innovations and Regional Sustainability:**
 - The role of technology in promoting sustainable development, including renewable energy, smart cities, and sustainable agriculture.
 - Challenges and opportunities in adopting green technologies at the regional level.
4. **Environmental Challenges and Regional Responses:**
 - Case studies of regions facing significant environmental challenges and their response strategies.
 - The importance of preserving biodiversity and natural resources in regional development plans.
5. **Social Equity and Inclusion in Regional Development:**
 - Addressing social inequalities and ensuring inclusive growth in regional development initiatives.
 - The role of education, healthcare, and social services in achieving sustainable development.
6. **Regional Infrastructure and Sustainable Development:**
 - Sustainable infrastructure development and its importance for regional growth.
 - Innovative infrastructure projects that contribute to sustainable urban and rural development.
7. **Cross-Border Collaboration for Sustainable Development:**
 - Examples of successful cross-border initiatives that have led to sustainable outcomes.
 - The challenges and benefits of regional and international cooperation in achieving sustainability goals.

8. Policy Frameworks and Institutional Support:

Analysis of policy frameworks that encourage sustainable development at the regional level.

The role of international organizations and governments in supporting regional sustainability initiatives.

Each theme could include research articles, case studies, policy analyses, and reviews that provide deep insights into the complexities of achieving sustainable development in a globalized world through regional initiatives. This approach ensures a comprehensive exploration of the multifaceted aspects of regional and sustainable development, offering valuable perspectives for policymakers, practitioners, and scholars.

Submission Process

Authors are encouraged to submit their manuscripts to katalin.liptak@uni-miskolc.hu and ibolya.torok@ubbcluj.ro.

Submissions will undergo a peer review process, ensuring the highest standards of scholarship. For submission instructions, formatting guidelines, and further details, please visit: <https://www.strategiaifuzetek.hu/szerzoinkek>.

Submission Deadline

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