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# Water-Energy Nexus in the Era of Smart Water Revolution and Energy Transition

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## **Message from the Guest Editors**

As water and energy systems are becoming more strained, understanding the current and future evolving relationship is more crucial than ever for a sustainable future. This Special Issue aims to address the water–energy nexus at a time of great challenges in which climate change and supply security are driving the energy transition via with the implementation of smart grids, leading towards the development of more efficient, resilient, and sustainable solutions. Research areas may include, but are not limited to, the following area:

- Water-energy nexus investigation in smart systems;
- Smart water and energy grids modelling and optimisation:
- Water and energy demand characterisation and forecasting;
- Optimal design and management of water distribution systems;
- Optimal and sustainable hydroelectric production from micro to large plants;
- Digital twin implementation and AI tools supporting digitalisation of the water sector;
- Energy analysis of water treatment and drinking water production;
- Machine learning applications for smart technologies and networks;
- Resilience and interdependencies between water and energy infrastructures.







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