



Independence and Security of Energy Supply: A Current Issue of Vital Importance

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Message from the Guest Editors

The effects of COVID-19 pandemic and the ongoing war on European soil have resulted in unprecedented problems on the security of practically all goods and especially energy supplies in the global energy markets. The European Commission and the European Union's Member States have been forced to reconsider the energy policy in a period of just few weeks. Nuclear energy plants are expected to extend their life, coal utilization will be intensified in the short term, with renewables currently substituting natural gas, and new exploration for oil and gas could get new impetus.

The scope of the Special Issue is to cover the most urgent research needs on issues related to the security of energy supplies and other energy-connected internationally traded goods, such as food and fertilizers. Special focus will be on the effects of restricted supply of energy on European Union policies.

The Guest Editors hope that this Special Issue will be the foundations of a new chapter on strategic research on the significance of the independence and security of energy supply.





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