



Regional Resilience – Opportunities for Sustainable Development in Times of Crisis

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We welcome contributions from a wide spectrum of disciplines. Statistical analyses and investigations about regional implications of crises as well as studies related to mitigation and adaptation policies and strategies and related governance issues. With more detail, three guiding topics shall be central to the discussion of this Special Issue of *Sustainability*:

1. Exploring regional disparities (within countries) of the emergence of crises and their implications: Why does this happen? Which data can be used? Which empirical evidence do we have regarding the reasons for regional disparities?
2. Understanding crisis management: What functions, powers, and responsibilities do regional authorities have to react? How do they use them? How do they communicate with the regional public?
3. Demonstrating opportunities for ways out of crisis: Do regional stakeholders intend to “bounce back” to a former stage? Or do they use new windows of opportunities for fundamental changes that may be favourable to sustainable development?

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