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Dear Colleagues,

For some time now, the sustainability paradigm has permeated many areas of life. Public policies implemented in rural areas, and particularly those that affect the performance of agricultural and livestock activities, are evaluated based on sustainability criteria. In these circumstances, a key challenge for rural territories and their populations is the sustainable management of the material and human resources they have. Articles focused on the following topics are welcome for this Special Issue:

- Rural population development and ecological production relations;
- Depopulation processes of rural territories and their consequences for the sustainability of those territories;
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- Analysis of sustainable agricultural public policies;
- Production, consumption, and sustainable food trends;
- Actors and rural agencies linked to ecological territorial development;
- Sustainable agronomic performance practices.





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