

Special Issue

Sustainable Production Management System for Production and Raw Materials

Message from the Guest Editors

The topic of this Special Issue is raw material security, as well as the sustainability of the extraction of key raw materials. This issue affects a large number of countries, both mining countries and countries that do not have sufficient stocks of critical raw materials and are dependent on their purchase. Within this topic, we would like to focus specifically on extraction, processing, as well as alternatives that could ensure the optimal use of critical raw materials with their substitution function. Production, environmental management, and logistics are also closely related to this problem. The study will supplement existing publications with an up-to-date view of the systemic management of production and raw materials in the context of sustainable development. The outputs obtained from this Special Issue will significantly help to map the potential of countries and their raw material security and self-sufficiency, which would be highly helpful in creating overviews of the sustainability of critical raw materials and creating strategic documents, as well as providing data not only to the scientific community.

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