
Editorial: The International Journal – Strategic Planning for Energy and the Environment (SPEE)

Dear Readers, Contributors, Scholars, Educators and All Concerned Stakeholders in the field of strategic planning and policy making for the energy and the environment.

I would like to acknowledge that this Journal *Strategic Planning for Energy and the Environment* (SPEE) has a track record of several decades of quality publication with Taylor & Francis LLC. It is now published and managed by River Publishers with a completely new Editorial Team (Editor in Chief, Associate Editors, Advisory Board and Editorial Board). This team is committed to continuing the publication of high quality and multi-faceted articles covering energy planning, policy development and strategic research and development in the fields of energy and the environment.

The journal exists to publish the highest quality papers from both academia and professional practice. The main goal of the journal is to create acknowledge hub within the Energy and Environment Strategic Policy and Planning domains. It will regularly publish papers generated through research, field investigation, policy development, case studies, and other endeavors of interest to the Energy and Environment nexus.

The SPEE journal is open to a wide-range of multi-disciplinary articles covering the strategy and policy arenas of energy and environment, including energy and environmental governance; global regional and local approaches for energy production and consumption; interrelationships and linkages of energy and environment within socio-economic, human-altered, and natural settings. It also welcomes dialogue between the social, political, and environmental sectors, as the demand and supply of energy products are governed by national and international politics and laws. It will give emphasis to

emerging science and technology regarding green and sustainable energy. In this context, risk mitigation strategies for renewable energy financing are of importance. This applies to both the time horizon associated with the return on investment in renewable energy solutions as well as the costs of utilizing the technological solutions used to produce it. Broadly, the journal aims to encourage innovative ideas about energy and environmental engineering which can help to reduce both net energy consumption and environmental damage.

Special focus will be given to the relationship between and the adaptations made by the various stakeholders, particularly around environmental governance and policy formation.

SPEE is multidimensional and will include papers concerned with fundamental concepts in energy and environmental theory, experiments, infrastructure analysis, implementation, and policies. Contributions to a general theoretical approach to energy and the environment with reference to sustainability and development in the context of local, regional, and global settings are also encouraged. SPEE will cover topics at the core and the interfaces of the energy and the environment nexus that are of interest to the scientific and professional communities. The journal focuses on those articles that provide a sound knowledge base for basic and applied research associated with the development and evaluation of technological and administrative pathways that minimize environmental impacts of energy life cycles.

I acknowledge that we are in a difficult time due to the Covid 19 Pandemic, but I would like to request that researchers continue to undertake research and that you consider contributing your scholarly papers to SPEE. Papers should focus on *strategic planning issues and activities* related to (1) the energy and environment nexus, (2) green technologies, (3) environmental friendly energy systems, (4) low carbon energy production and use, (5) the sustainable consumption of energy resources, (6) environmental impacts of energy production, (7) climate change-induced energy and environmental uncertainties, (8) interlinkages between energy and environmental resources and sustainability, (9) environmental governance, legislation, and environmental policies for sustainable energy production, (10) renewable and alternative energy resources, (11) the energy, environment and socio-cultural nexus, (12) energy conservation, efficiencies and greenhouse gases, (13) biosphere, biodiversity, bioenergy, biofuels, and biomass, (14) climate change, energy conservation, deforestation, and ecosystem health, (15) emissions, air quality and atmospheric science, (16) environmental impact assessment,

(17) recycling and waste management, and (18) international treaties and initiatives in relation to energy, environment, and climate.

I thank all of you who have been contributing through research, service, publications or other means, even though we are trapped under the Covid 19 regime, especially those scholars who have contributed to this issue of SPEE or will be contributing to future issues.

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