

EDITORIAL

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Nowadays, the development of economy and society and consciousness structure are closely intertwined. One of humans' major concerns now is how to overcome a series of environmental, economic, and social issues. The concept of sustainable development was put forward to instruct people to develop economy and society without damaging environment and sacrificing the welfare of our offspring, and development is at the heart of sustainable development. Everyone is affected by it in a variety of ways. *Sustainable Social Development* (SSD) is a newly launched journal focusing on the research of sustainable development.

The first issue of this journal (Vol. 1 No. 1) consists of seven original research articles and one brief commentary authored by experts from 11 countries, and it provides a comprehensive exploration of sustainable development, including how to achieve the goal of sustainable development in various fields and the challenges faced by sustainable development.

Development calls for transformation and upgrading. Articles in this issue analyze how to achieve the goal of transformation and explore factors impacting transformation in social and economic development. For example, Sharma et al.^[1] from US, Singapore and United Arab Emirates explored how digital literacies impact social innovation and socio-economic transformation. Experts from China, Russian Federation, UK, Australia, and Japan, highlight the importance of transformation in the social development, such as the transformation of industrial parks^[2], the legal frameworks for sustainable development^[3], and building sustainable community wellbeing^[4].

Additionally, Venkatesh^[5] from Sweden comments the sustainable social philanthropy, which uncovers and creates value of different types—economic, social, spiritual, psychological and moral. There is also the hope that this social-entrepreneurship philanthropic construct may inspire and motivate others to follow suit.

It will simply mean a groundswell of goodness, and of do-goodery, leading to greater social welfare.

In a word, to achieve the goal of sustainable development, many challenges and problems may arise. The views and findings on sustainable development in this issue provide solutions to corresponding problems and references for future research on sustainable development.

We deeply appreciate the authors' permission to authorize us to share their insightful views.

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