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## Sustainability Science Abstracts

The Sustainability database explores the management of human use and conservation of the natural resource base, ensuring the attainment and continued satisfaction of human needs in the present as well as maintaining the potential to meet the needs and aspirations of future generations. This involves the maintenance of species diversity & genetic diversity within the species and protection of the habitat/ecosystem they rely upon. The economy is an important aspect of Sustainability and should be seen as "a means to an end" not an end in itself. Coverage includes relevant papers, reports, books and reviews from standard peer-reviewed scientific journals. To ensure comprehensive coverage, material from conference proceedings and hard-to-find gray literature has also been summarized.

### Subject Coverage

Major areas of coverage include:

- Issues in Sustainable Development
- Measuring Sustainable Development
- Environmental Law, Conventions, & Policy
- Sustainable Resource Base: Atmosphere; Land; Water and Biodiversity
- Economic Paradigm
- Economic Drivers
- Sustainable Production
- Sustainable Energy
- Sustainable Transportation/Mobility

### Dates of Coverage

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### Sample Record

**Title** The role of institutions and policy in enhancing sustainable development and conserving natural capital

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**Abstract** The use and management of natural capital is critical in all nations, but especially so in poor nations. The role of institutions - chiefly, property rights and pricing systems for natural resources - is pivotal in achieving growth and improved distribution of income and wealth, in understanding environmental degradation and in seeking improved policy. Particularly useful criteria and indicators of sustainable development relate to 'green' output and productivity measures in which the depreciation of natural capital is being considered. Special management problems exist for 'critical' components of natural capital to which variants of the precautionary principle must be applied to ensure that our heirs receive an undiminished patrimony.

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### Field Codes

The following field codes are found in the records of this database. Here they are listed in alphabetical order by two-letter code. See [Field Codes and Search Examples](#) for detailed descriptions and search examples.

AB = Abstract	NT = Notes
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CL = Classification	RL = Resource Location
DE = Descriptors	SF = Subfile
ED = Editor	SL = Summary Language
ER = Environmental Regime	SO = Source
IB = ISBN	TI = Title
ID = Identifiers	TR = ASFA Input Center Number
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