



EDITORIAL

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Dear readers of *RAE-Revista de Administração de Empresas (Journal of Business Management)*,

I am pleased to present the articles that have been selected for publication in this special issue on Food Waste: Challenges and opportunities in sustainable operations.

Special issues are an important part of *RAE's* strategy of bringing you original articles that are of relevance to academic communities that share a common interest in a specific topic, but always in the area of business administration. In this way we hope to promote stronger dialogue among researchers, and advance knowledge on the subject, based on a greater number of works. Special issues also seek to encourage authors to address impacts that extend beyond any contributions they might make to theory or to research methods. They also cover impacts on society and make recommendations to companies and, if applicable, for public policies that influence the activities and management of different types of organization, whether profit-oriented or not.

With regard to this particular special edition, the numbers are expressive and indicate the interest in the topic and the expansion of the journal's international reach:

- 37 articles were submitted by the deadline of May 2020, of which 25 were produced exclusively by Brazilian authors, five articles were written exclusively by non-Brazilian researchers, and seven articles were produced in cooperation between Brazilians and non-Brazilians;
- 6 articles were selected for publication, following a rigorous desk review and double-blind review process;
- 12 countries (Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Nigeria, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom and USA) from all the continents were represented by the authors of the articles that were submitted, while 62 reviewers from 8 countries (Brazil, Denmark, Italy, Netherlands, Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom and USA) made their own invaluable contributions to this edition.

The *RAE* team and I are extremely grateful for the dedication and competence of the six guest editors who were invited to head up this special issue, both for their choice of topic and for the diligence with which they dealt with the editorial process. Our many thanks to Luciana Marques Vieira, Marcia Dutra de Barcellos, Gustavo Porpino de Araujo, Mattias Eriksson, Manoj Dora, and Daniele Eckert Matzembacher.

More special issues are being prepared for *RAE* and calls for work for future special issues will be announced shortly. Any researchers wishing to consider the possibility of organizing a special issue for *RAE* are most welcome to speak with the editor-in-chief and our editorial team, who will provide you with strong operational and administrative support and input for dissemination.

Enjoy your reading!

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