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8. Inequality mitigation, social innovation, and wellbeing: organizations, individuals, and communities
9. Meeting the objectives of carbon neutrality: circular economy, zero waste, renewable energy and composting communities
10. Exploring the dark side of innovation: the unexpected outcomes of the socio-technological progress
11. History, path dependency, resilience, and evolutionary trajectories of territories
12. The rise of hostility: how do populism, nationalism, conflicts, and terrorism change economies and places
13. Global value chain and sustainable local development
14. Regional development traps and catch-ups
15. The flows of people and goods and their impact on entrepreneurship and innovation in places
16. Competitiveness and innovation in industrial districts, clusters, regions, and ecosystems