Call for papers - Environment, Unexpected Shocks, and Behavioural Consequences

Dear colleague,

We are planning to edit a book for Routledge titled “Behavioural Economics and the Environment,” scheduled to be published in July 2022. The book, which will contain contributions from experts in these fields, is primarily aimed at scholars who have recently begun doing research in this area (or are contemplating moving in this direction) and look for a comprehensive and rigorous overview of the state-of-the-art in behavioural environmental economics. At the end of this message, please find a short description of the book.

Several esteemed researchers have already agreed to contribute to the volume. However, we would like to add a section on the environment, unexpected shocks (such as natural disasters or a pandemic), and their behavioural consequences.

We accept new contributions or new versions of published works, as long as they contain new results that were not included in the original publication. Literature reviews are also welcome.

We would like to receive a first draft of the paper by July 31, 2021. We grant a smooth review process.

Please, forward this message to your colleagues working in this area.

Best regards,

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BOOK DESCRIPTION

Humans have long neglected the externality of their behaviour on the environment. Resource use, especially in industrialized societies, is characterized by excessive consumption of fossil fuels and natural resources, and by a linear economy model where goods are created from raw materials, used, and then discarded. In our daily life, we all must deal with pollution, waste disposal and, in more recent years, climate change. Hence, environmental issues are increasingly prioritized by governments, as demonstrated in Europe by the Green Deal. However, most people lack a clear understanding of the environmental consequences of their actions. This may lead to understating the impact of individual behaviour and missing out on substantial mitigation opportunities. The new field of behavioural environmental economics applies the framework of behavioural economics to environmental issues, by rationalizing unexplained puzzles and providing a more realistic account of individual behaviour. This book aims to provide a complete and rigorous overview of environmental topics, collecting state-of-the-art research on this topical field adopting a behavioural
economics perspective that focuses on the effects of psychological, social, and cognitive factors on the decision-making process. Discussion of different methods of research will be combined with the most recent trends of this line of research, offered by influential scholars in behavioural and environmental economics.