





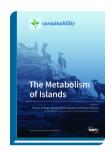
Special Issue Reprint

## The Metabolism of Islands

www.mdpi.com/books/reprint/4097

Edited by Simron Singh Marina Fischer-Kowalski Marian Chertow

ISBN 978-3-0365-0936-5 (Hardback) ISBN 978-3-0365-0937-2 (PDF)



This book makes the case for why we should care about islands and their sustainability. Islands are hotspots of biocultural diversity and home to 600 million people that depend on one-sixth of the earth's total area, including the surrounding oceans, for their subsistence. Today, they are at the frontlines of climate change and face an existential crisis. Islands are, however, potential "hubs of innovation" that are uniquely positioned to be leaders in sustainability and climate action. This volume argues that a full-fledged program on "island industrial ecology" is urgently needed, with the aim of offering policy-relevant insights and strategies to sustain small islands in an era of global environmental change. The nine contributions in this volume cover a wide range of applications of socio-metabolic research, from flow accounts to stock analysis and their relationship to services in space and time. They offer insights into how reconfiguring patterns of resource use will allow island governments to build resilience and adapt to the challenges of climate change.





MDPI Books offers quality open access book publishing to promote the exchange of ideas and knowledge in a globalized world. MDPI Books encompasses all the benefits of open access – high availability and visibility, as well as wide and rapid dissemination. With MDPI Books, you can complement the digital version of your work with a high quality printed counterpart.



### **Open Access**

Your scholarly work is accessible worldwide without any restrictions. All authors retain the copyright for their work distributed under the terms of the Creative Commons Attribution License.



#### **Author Focus**

Authors and editors profit from MDPI's over two decades of experience in open access publishing, our customized personal support throughout the entire publication process, and competitive processing charges as well as unique contributor discounts on book purchases.



## **High Quality & Rapid Publication**

MDPI ensures a thorough review for all published items and provides a fast publication procedure. State-of-the-art research and time-sensitive topics are released with a minimum amount of delay.



# **High Visibility**

Due to our global network and well-known channel partners, we ensure maximum visibility and broad dissemination. Title information of books is sent to international indexing databases and archives, such as the Directory of Open Access Books (DOAB), and the Verzeichnis Lieferbarer Bücher (VLB).



# **Print on Demand and Multiple Formats**

MDPI Books are available for purchase and to read online at any time. Our print-on-demand service offers a sustainable, cost-effective and fast way to publish MDPI Books printed versions.

MDPI AG Grosspeteranlage 5 4052 Basel Switzerland Tel: +41 61 683 77 34 www.mdpi.com/books books@mdpi.com

