

Special Session (SS04) on:
*Drivers of Sustainable Agribusiness for Cohesive,
Equitable, and Balanced Territories*

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The aim and scope:

This special session aims to identify and analyse the key drivers that foster sustainable agribusiness and their contribution to building cohesive, equitable, and balanced territories. It explores how governance structures, policy orientations, and decision-making processes shape these drivers and influence agribusiness sustainability across different territorial contexts. The session examines institutional, economic, social, and environmental factors that enable agribusiness to reduce territorial disparities and strengthen territorial cohesion. By integrating policy analysis and empirical insights, the session seeks to inform governance and policy strategies that support sustainable agribusiness as a catalyst for territorial balance and long-term development.

SUBMIT ABSTRACT