SUSTAINABILITY: MYTH or REALITY? Understanding the Concept and Nature of Sustainability and the Factors Affecting It

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Abstract

The study analyzes two sustainability frameworks and centers on community-based and people-oriented development projects, focusing on the perceptions, specific circumstances and experiences of different stakeholders involved in these projects. The significant outcome of the study is the conceptualization of a more comprehensive and unified definition of sustainability and a rating scale for evaluating and monitoring development projects' progress towards sustainability.