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# Clusters, Networks, and Ecosystem - Theory and Practice of Circular and New Business

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Sectoral clustering; Thematic clustering; Entrepreneurial ecosystems; Circularity under the umbrella of sustainability; Sustainable networks; Social capital theory; Location theory; Agglomeration economiesDr. Aleid Brouwer

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