The Relationship Between Environmental and Economic Dimensions of Sustainability on the Island of Montreal

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Sustainability's growing popularity amongst the literature, institutions and individuals since the coining of the term in the context of the Brundtland conference (WCED, 1987), contrasts with its blurry connotations triggering endless semantic debates. In spite of its characterization as "ill-defined and diffuse area of study" (Leal Filho, 2000; Robinson, 2004; Whitley, 1984), the literature has reached a consensus on sustainability's "Triple Bottom Line" (Elkington, 1994) as inscribed into environmental, economic and social