



## Protecting World Heritage Sites in the Face of Climate Change: A Call to Action

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### Message from the Collection Editor

Dear Colleagues,

The recent report from the United Nations demonstrates the sorry state of global biodiversity. This is despite efforts to increase protected areas, both on land and at sea. What are the responses to the shifting baselines of OUVs? What planning mechanisms are there to assess the vulnerability of these sites in the face of climate change? How do we manage these WH sites in the face of climate change? These questions, and more, are now being asked by policy-makers and managers, and the research community is responding to the call. In this Special Issue, we will take the lessons learnt from across the WH family and use these findings to chart a way forward in supporting the increased resilience of WH sites to the challenges that have, and will, come with climate change.

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