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## The Role of Public Policies in Incentivizing Forest, Mountain and Rural Economy

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Mountain areas are an important carbon reserve and source of ecosystem services such as soil protection and water regulation, raw materials and energy provision. In addition, mountain rural areas play a fundamental role in the well-being and quality of life of the community through various environmental benefits typical of mountain areas.

Global and European Union (EU) policies and strategies (e.g., the European Green Deal and new EU Forest Strategy for 2030) seek to incentivize the development and recovery of mountain and rural areas through the implementation of financial and economic measures. The Common Agricultural Policy 2023–2027 also provides support and funding for rural mountain areas and related agricultural activities.

The objective of the Special Issue is to collect contributions (original research articles and review documents) that provide pivotal information on public policies and strategies regarding mountain and rural development in order to compare both the main results obtained and their implementation in European countries.



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