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# **Ecological Restoration and Rural Economic Development**

#### Message from the Guest Editors

At present, rural economic development has entered a critical period of transformation. For a long time, the extensive development has brought a huge threat to the sustainable development of rural areas. A healthy ecosystem plays an important role in sustainable development, Rural water, soil, vegetation, and other ecosystems have been severely damaged, which urgently requires us to change this trend. Protection and restoration of the ecological systems in rural areas will likely bring beautiful and sustainable villages. Ecological restoration means to manage the fragile ecological environment, so that the damaged ecosystem can gradually restore its original functions. As a result, it improves the coordination between rural economic development and the ecological environment, and helps realize the harmonious coexistence of people and nature in rural areas. We encourage the use of empirical methods to review these situations, focusing on economic aspects and farmers' response decisions regarding ecological restoration.

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