

Special Issue

Integration of Biodiversity and Soil Conservation with a Sustainable Production in the Restoration of Pastoral Systems

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Pastoral systems around the world encompass fragile ecosystems, such as grasslands, shrublands, wetlands, highlands, and arid and semi-arid lands. This Special Issue encourages the publication of papers on nature restoration and the land management of pastoral systems, taking into account new science-based policies and paradigms in order to (i) maintain the resilience of traditional farming systems to promote safeguards of the agro-sylvo-pastoral landscape, practices, and food quality (ii); preserve and restore biodiversity levels (iii); maintain soil biodiversity, water retention, and fertility; (iv) implement nature-based solutions to climate-change-induced issues (aridification, desertification, invasion of alien species, ecosystem turnover); (v) manage grazed landscapes to increase soil carbon stocks; and (vi) preserve sustainable production, especially considering its impact on human and animal well-being.

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