# **Special Issue**

# Pastoralism and Animal Management within Agroecosystems and Society

## Message from the Guest Editors

The role of pastoral-based farming is under increasing scrutiny from societal and agroecosystem perspectives. Accordingly, for this Special Issue, we invite contributions from authors who can contribute to the debate on broad issues within both extensive and intensive pasture-based systems. We expect authors to draw insights from either traditional pastoralism or science-based intensification that retains an overarching pastoral framework. We envisage that papers will be issue-based rather than discipline-bound. They will be shaped by a combination of scientific rigour and a transdisciplinary focus wherein the disciplinary span is determined by the breadth of the specific issue that is being investigated. Within each paper, authors are encouraged to write for readers who understand the principles of the scientific method but are not necessarily experts in all of the disciplines that each paper might draw upon. Accordingly, discipline-specific terminology that is not widely known to the broader scientific community is discouraged.

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