# **Topical Collection**

# Human-Wildlife Conflict and Interaction

### Message from the Collection Editor

The encounters of humans with other animals have always influenced the fate of both. Impulsive or planned emotion-driven human actions have led to the establishment of different relationships with different species, from decimation to protection, at various historical moments.

Worldwide, people interact with wild animals, from wolves to rats, through an anthropocentric point of view that. Yet, what we call human-wildlife conflict (HWC) too often leads to the persecution, translocation, or eradication of non-human animals.

Today, many people are more conscious of human responsibility towards other species, and thus many forms of human-wildlife interaction (HWI) are valued and performed worldwide, for example, whale watching, birdwatching, photo safari, and ecotourism.

Authors are invited to submit original articles or reviews exploring HWC and HWI in new, contemporary ways for this Special Issue of *Animals*. The theme (regardless of species) should be anchored to specific leanings such as economy, welfare, management, and animal cognition.

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