



## **Agroforestry Systems and Sustainable Development: New Challenges for Landscape Planning**

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This Special Issue aims at providing new approaches, techniques, and models to provide new knowledge about rural areas, establishing a scientific debate on new integrated methodologies for land-use/cover analysis and prediction, a new delineation of rural area types or features, as well as the use of environmental indicators for the assessment of scenario analyses.

Papers on, but not limited to, the following topics are welcome:

- The role of rural areas towards the mitigation of environmental risks (climate change, wildfires, etc.);
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- Historical land-use change studies;
- Ecosystem services assessment and modeling;
- Blue and green infrastructures;
- Decision support systems;
- Landscape planning and design;
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