

Special Issue

Sustainable Application of Ecosystem Services and Landscape Ecology

Message from the Guest Editors

The sustainable use of ecosystem services and integration of landscape ecology principles are fundamental to addressing today's complex environmental challenges. It is crucial to advance the application of ecosystem services and landscape ecology in the planning, management, and restoration of natural and human-modified ecosystems. Nature-based solutions and ecological restoration techniques are crucial for enhancing ecosystem resilience, biodiversity conservation, climate change mitigation and adaptation, and sustainable resource use. Focusing topics:

- Ecosystem services in landscape planning and management
- Nature-based solutions in ecosystems
- Ecological restoration techniques for degraded habitats
- Landscape connectivity and ecological networks
- Ecosystem services assessment, valuation, and mapping
- Adaptive management strategies under climate change scenarios
- Urban green infrastructure and sustainable urban landscapes
- Sustainable management of landscapes
- Blue-green infrastructure for integrated water and landscape management
- Water efficiency and sustainable urban water
- Socio-ecological approaches to ecosystem service governance
- Innovative tools and models for ecosystem service evaluation

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