# **Special Issue**

# Nurturing Connected Consciousness in the Anthropocene: Addressing Calls for Cultural and Spiritual Transformation as a Path to Personal, Collective, and Planetary Health

Message from the Guest Editors

We are pleased to announce this Challenges Special Issue: "Nurturing Connected Consciousness in the Anthropocene: Addressing Calls for Cultural and Spiritual Transformation as a Path to Personal, Collective, and Planetary Health."

This Special Issue addresses the need for deeper exploration of the human condition in addressing the mounting global challenges of the Anthropocene. At this critical moment in human history, it is important to promote and reimagine more intentional spiritual relationships with ourselves, others, and the natural world—recognizing that so many interconnected threats to "people, places, and planet" ultimately stem from erosion of these emotional connections.

It is our hope that this Challenges Special Issue will help contribute to cultural and social changes needed to support flourishing of people, places, and planet. We invite contributions that explore efforts to promote awareness of our interconnectedness, and nurture love, kindness, empathy, resilience, wisdom, restraint, and hope grounded in action.

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