# **Special Issue**

# Diversity, Biogeography, Fossil Record and Evolution of Bivalvia

### Message from the Guest Editors

Bivalves have inhabited the Earth for over 500 million years, since the Early Cambrian. They have the ability to create and modify habitats for other organisms, affect food webs, and influence biodiversity in aquatic ecosystems. Since the early phases of human evolution, bivalves have been used for food, jewelry, interior decorating, and even money. It is no wonder that some of the bivalve groups today are threatened or extinct. Therefore, it is of great interest to improve our knowledge of their taxonomy, biodiversity, and ecology. This Special Issue gives us a chance to look at these important aquatic organisms from all sides. Therefore, we cordially invite you to contribute to this Special Issue, focusing on any of the abovementioned topics, from taxonomic, ecological, and conservation aspects to paleontological and palaeoecological themes. We aim to not only present state-of-the-art results but also provide synergies in order to better understand and protect this diverse group of mollusks.

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