Special Issue

Drone-Based Wildlife Protection, Monitoring, and Conservation Management

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue focuses on the application of drones to aid in the protection and management of wildlife. The use and applications of drones for wildlife studies has increased significantly in the last decade. From detection to population estimation and habitat assessment, drones are now an integral part of the wildlife professional toolbox. We welcome research that examines the use of drone technology to improve our understanding of wildlife research and wildlife management. This Special Issue welcomes a variety of topics including:

- Species detection protocols;
- Methodological approaches to estimate wildlife populations;
- Geospatial approaches to assess wildlife populations;
- Wildlife monitoring;
- Remote data collection using drones and other sensors in the field;
- Habitat wildlife relationships using data derived from drones;
- Sensors, wildife, and habitat.

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Drones is the only international open-access journal about the science, policy and technology of drones and its applications. Nowadays, the proliferation of drones is a reality for local policy makers, regulatory bodies, mapping authorities, startups and consolidated companies. There are many uses and benefits of drones: from the emergence of new sensors and the evolution of new platforms; to the development of specific software and the emergence of new applications. *Drones* publishes reviews, regular research papers, communications and short notes, without restriction on the length of papers. *Drones* seeks to provide a central forum for scholars engaged in drones' research and applications.
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