

## Special Issue

# Indicators and Baselines of Afforestation and Reforestation

### Message from the Guest Editors

The expansion of population on our planet has led to increased demand for agricultural land and urban land, which has sharply reduced the amount of natural vegetation land, and especially forest land. Afforestation and reforestation have become key rescue actions to reverse this situation. The key for afforestation projects is to establish a baseline and to continuously monitor and evaluate the restored ecosystem. This Special Issue welcomes research and review papers covering all aspects related to the implementation of indicators and baselines in afforestation projects. Research methods can involve experiments, field surveys, model simulation, scenario analysis, or GIS remote sensing analysis. Although this Special Issue is mainly focused on forest ecosystems, it also welcomes theories, methods and case studies related to grassland ecosystems and other associated ecosystems. Potential topics include, but are not limited to:

- Tree species selection strategies;
- Planting regionalization methods;
- Priority afforestation areas;
- Design of baseline and reference ecosystem;
- Assessment of restoration process;
- Climate change adaptation management

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