

## Special Issue

# The Theory and Practice of Realizing the Value of Forest Ecological Products

### Message from the Guest Editors

Forest ecological products have the attribute of public goods, and their value accounting is complex, the market mechanism is imperfect, and the distribution of benefits is unreasonable, which makes it difficult to effectively transform the value of forest ecological products, and restricts the sustainability of ecological protection and the balanced global development. Potential topics include, but are not limited to:

- Value composition and evaluation of forest ecological products;
- Comparative studies on regional value realization models;
- Research on the market-oriented trading path of forest ecological products;
- Research on the policy support system for realizing the value of forest ecological products;
- Research on the guarantee system for realizing the value of forest ecological products;
- Experience and localization research on the realization of international forest ecological product value;
- Typical case analysis of realizing the value of forest ecological products at home and abroad;
- Mechanisms for forest ecological product valuation and shared prosperity promotion;
- Digital empowerment mechanisms for realizing forest ecological products' value.

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