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Mapping and Assessment of Land Use Change – Current and Future Directions

Message from the Guest Editor

Land-use change presents a way in which humans modify the natural landscape, while changes can also occur due to climate effects, such as climate change. Some of these changes may be permanent destruction, such as urban expansion. On the other side, some changes, such as forest restoration, cropland abandonment, etc., may attempt to repair previously made damage. Furthermore, land use and land cover change mapping can play an important role in planning and management. Mapping spatio-temporal dynamics of natural environments are illustrative for policy makers, decision makers and stakeholders, and promise to capture and relate spatial trajectories into strategic and value-added information.

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