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Sustainable Forest Management, Utilization and Biodiversity Conservation

Message from the Guest Editors

Four billion hectar world forests provide habitats for about 80 percent of amphibian species, 75 percent of bird species and 68 percent of mammal species, and they are also the largest land carbon reservoir, absorbing and storing around 30% of current fossil fuel emissions. About 1.6 billion people worldwide depend on forests for food, livelihoods, employment and income. The critical importance of sustainable forest management and utilization to ensure protecting the animals, plants and related ecology systems that thrive in forests have been well recognized worldwide; yet, forests and their biodiversity continue to be lost at an alarming rate. Ensuring biodiversity conservation is globally embedded into sustainable forest management policies is curial to halting deforestation and restoring biodiversity by 2030.

This Special Issue aims to provide valuable insights on the development of policy tools to ensure biodiversity conservation be well planned and integrated into global, regional and national forest management practices. Regional and national level case studies are welcomed.

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