Special Issue

Smart Forest Inventory, Management and Planning: Intelligent Technologies and Their Applications

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For this Special Issue, we seek papers on the following:

- Intelligent forest inventory and monitoring methods integrating multi-source remote sensing, LiDAR, and ground observation;
- High-precision estimation of forest biomass and carbon storage and regional/global-scale carbon sink assessment;
- Automated identification of and intelligent early warning systems for diseases, pests, and natural disturbances based on deep learning;
- Construction of forestry information platforms and IoT perception systems and improvements in their realtime monitoring capabilities;
- Application and utilization of artificial intelligence and deep learning models for classification, prediction, and planning optimization:
- Exploration of digital twin and virtual simulation in forest management, ecological restoration, and landscape pattern design;
- Application and evaluation of intelligent methods in assessing the response forests to climate change and achieving carbon neutrality.

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