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Sustainable Forest Management Criteria and Indicators

Message from the Guest Editors

For nearly three decades, state and non-state actors have developed and used criteria and indicators (C&I) to define, measure, monitor, and report on the sustainability of forests at local to international levels. In these efforts, criteria define the elements against which forest sustainability is assessed, reflecting the environmental, economic, and social values essential for sustainable forest management (SFM). Indicators are the quantitative, qualitative, or descriptive parameters that correspond to a specific criterion and which can be measured and monitored over time. This Special Issue will present current research on SFM C&I, aiming to understand when, why, and where these efforts generate up-to-date comprehensive information on forest sustainability, become institutionalized, and enable enhanced decision-making on related policy and practices. We encourage the submission of manuscripts that provide new information on a broad range of topics, including: criteria and indicators; C&I processes; sustainable forest management; forest certification.

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