

Special Issue

Multidimensional Stakeholder Engagement in Forest Governance and Certification Systems

Message from the Guest Editor

This Special Issue seeks to explore the complexities and nuances of stakeholder engagement across diverse forest governance frameworks and certification schemes worldwide. We invite original research, reviews, and case studies that delve into the various dimensions of engagement, including power dynamics, knowledge exchange, conflict resolution, equitable benefit sharing, and the integration of diverse perspectives.

We also focus on how stakeholder engagement functions in a variety of other critical forest-related governance contexts:

1. Community forest management
2. Protected area co-management
3. Forest and landscape restoration initiatives
4. Forest policy development and implementation
5. Climate change mitigation and adaptation (e.g., REDD+)
6. Combating illegal logging (e.g., FLEGT)
7. Biodiversity conservation planning

We particularly encourage submissions that offer critical analyses, propose novel theoretical frameworks, or present empirical evidence from different socio-ecological contexts. We look forward to receiving your valuable contributions to this timely and important topic.

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