

Special Issue

Implications of Forest Biodiversity Conservation in a Changing World

Message from the Guest Editor

Humans have altered the biodiversity and functioning of forests ecosystems since the origin of agriculture, about eight millennia ago, but the impacts of our activities were almost negligible until the 20th century. The technological advances that took place during the last 100 years increased human well-being and triggered the growth of our population, but this resulted in extensive forest losses due to the growing demand for cultivable lands and other natural resources. Therefore, because forests provide a number of ecosystem services to humankind, such as water provisioning and carbon storage, and because the quantity and quality of these services depend upon the biodiversity they contain, their recovery and protection in the face of the advance of land use changes, biological invasions and climate change currently constitute mayor challenges for scientists, policy makers and nature managers. This Special Issue focuses on these challenges, and manuscripts addressing them through field surveys, experimental and modeling studies, and the analysis and design of public policies are welcomed.

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