# **Special Issue**

# Demonstrating Forestry Value and Exploring Emerging Technologies for Non-Wood Products

## Message from the Guest Editors

Non-wood forest products (NWFPs) are defined as goods of natural origin other than wood, derived from forests, wooded lands, and trees outside forests or in the surroundings. This category of products includes aromatic essences, bushmeat, edible and non-edible fruits, grasses, gums, honey, leaves, medicinal herbs, mushrooms, nuts, resins, tannins, and bark-derived products. Further, fibers from bamboo, rattans, and palms are NWFPs. Millions of rural people living in forests worldwide depend on these products as sources of food, fodder, medicine, and construction materials. Several low-income communities rely on NWFPs since they provide employment and income and significantly contribute to fulfilling daily the needs of forest-dwelling and rural people, especially women. NWFPs are essential, and the social and environmental services provided by forests, whether planted or native, are equally very important. In the presented context, this Special Issue intends to shed some light on and give a broad overview of the most recent advances in the NWFP field.

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