

Special Issue

Urban Green Infrastructure and Urban Landscape Ecology

Message from the Guest Editors

Urban green infrastructures (UGIs, i.e., forests, parks, shrubs, green roofs, etc.), as natural elements in a city, could provide multiple benefits to people in the urban environment. UGIs should be capable of addressing the major challenges of urbanization, such as improving the quality of life, promoting social cohesion and environmental justice, protecting biodiversity, and adapting to climate change, thereby supporting sustainable urban development. Planning and designing new generation UGIs require the use of landscape ecology theory, through which the pattern evolution characteristics of UGI could be evaluated and its impact on ecosystem service functions such as atmosphere, hydrological cycle, and thermal environment could be analyzed, which will aid in adequate management of urban planning and pattern optimization. The goal of this Special Issue is to publish new research on the multifunctional ecosystem of UGI in order to deepen our understanding of the impact of various ecological functions of UGIs and to develop sustainable solutions for urban ecosystem management with enhanced ability to respond to climate change.

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