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Restoring the Diversity, Resilience and Stability of Forest Ecosystems

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Global forests are going through unprecedented deforestation and degradation. The restoration of habitats is increasingly part of the discussion over how to tackle the challenges of climate change and biodiversity loss. The Decade on Ecosystem Restoration 2021–2030 adopted by the United Nations "with the aim of supporting and scaling up efforts to prevent, halt and reverse the degradation of ecosystems worldwide and raise awareness of the importance of successful ecosystem restoration" is an unparalleled opportunity for each of us to conduct ecological restoration studies. How can science contribute to achieving this objective? We encourage studies from natural forests, plantations and agroforestry, involving field experiments, investigations, monitoring and silviculture practices, to contribute to this Special Issue in order to explore the theoretical and practical knowledge on biodiversity, resilience and stability and provide a scientific basis and management approaches for the protection and restoration of forests around the world.

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