

Special Issue

Interlinks of Environmental Policy, Forest Resource Use, and Economic Dynamics

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The primary aim of this Special Issue is to advance interdisciplinary understanding of how environmental policies, forest resource use, and economic systems interact. Key thematic areas include (but are not limited to):

- Policy design and implementation: How policies (e.g., PES, forest tenure reforms, carbon markets, logging regulations) influence the economic viability of sustainable forest use.
- Economic trade-offs and co-benefits: Balancing timber/NTFP (non-timber forest product) extraction with ecosystem service values (e.g., carbon storage, biodiversity) and local livelihoods.
- Cross-scale dynamics: Global economic drivers (e.g., commodity markets, international climate agreements) and their impacts on local forest use and policy compliance.
- Equity and inclusion: Ensuring forest policies and economic benefits are distributed fairly among stakeholders (e.g., Indigenous communities, smallholder foresters, industrial actors).
- Adaptive governance: How policies and economic models can evolve to address emerging challenges (e.g., climate change, post-pandemic resource demand, technological innovations in forest monitoring).

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