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Message from the Guest Editors

Planted forests have increased around the world to meet timber supply, economic development, or landscape restoration goals. However, experience with expansion of planted forests has been mixed. Some countries have successfully implemented widely supported. In other places, plantation development has been controversial, with few benefits for local people, the wider economy or the environment. While international goals have been set to restore forest cover and increase planted forests, since 2010, the rate of increase in planted forests has slowed. It is unclear where planted forests might be located, or how they will be managed, to achieve desired objectives. New models of development for planted forests are likely to be required to achieve global targets.

This Special Issue aims to present current research on planted forests and plantations and best-practice approaches to plantation development. The topics will include land tenure and allocation; social issues, regulation and enforcement; finance, incentives, and education programs; linking value chains for plantation timber; and approaches for integrating environmental values and benefits.

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