

Special Issue

Urban Open Space Conservation: Advances, Perspectives and Contribution in Enhancing Urban Sustainability

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue of *Forests* is intended as a multidisciplinary opportunity to describe innovative approaches for monitoring the past, current and future trends in urban open spaces and to propose planning instruments and interventions able to emphasize their socio-ecological role in strengthening urban green infrastructures. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to, the development of advanced quantitative and qualitative methods to monitor the abundance, characteristics (e.g., biophysical, management, functional) and trends over time of urban open areas, even related to different urbanization, planning and socio-economic patterns. Case studies on future possible trends of urban open areas under different planning scenarios are also welcome as well as those dealing with innovative approaches for modelling their contributions in terms of biodiversity conservation, ecosystem services provisioning, and ways to strengthen their inclusion into decision-making processes. Manuscripts can cover a wide range of spatial (e.g., from municipality to regional and national) and implications (e.g., planning, governance, policy) scales.

Guest Editors

Dr. Lorenzo Sallustio

Prof. Dr. Marco Marchetti

Prof. Dr. Bruno Lasserre

Deadline for manuscript submissions

closed (1 June 2022)



Forests

an Open Access Journal
by MDPI

Impact Factor 2.5
CiteScore 4.6



mdpi.com/si/97213

Forests
Editorial Office
MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5
4052 Basel, Switzerland
Tel: +41 61 683 77 34
forests@mdpi.com

[mdpi.com/journal/
forests](https://mdpi.com/journal/forests)





Forests

an Open Access Journal
by MDPI

Impact Factor 2.5
CiteScore 4.6



[mdpi.com/journal/
forests](https://mdpi.com/journal/forests)



About the Journal

Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Forests (ISSN 1999-4907) is an international and cross-disciplinary, scholarly forestry journal. The distinguished editorial board and refereeing process ensures the highest degree of scientific rigor and review of all published articles. Original research articles and timely reviews are released online, with unlimited free access. Our goal is to have *Forests* be recognized as one of the foremost publication outlets for high quality, leading edge research in this broad and diverse field. We therefore invite you to be one of our authors, and in doing so share your important research findings with the global forestry community.

Editor-in-Chief

Prof. Dr. Giacomo Alessandro Gerosa

Department of Mathematics and Physics, Catholic University of Brescia,
I-25121 Brescia, Italy

Author Benefits

High Visibility:

indexed within Scopus, SCIE (Web of Science), Ei Compendex, GEOBASE, PubAg, AGRIS, PaperChem, and other databases.

Journal Rank:

JCR - Q2 (Forestry) / CiteScore - Q1 (Forestry)

Rapid Publication:

manuscripts are peer-reviewed and a first decision is provided to authors approximately 17.1 days after submission; acceptance to publication is undertaken in 2.4 days (median values for papers published in this journal in the first half of 2025).