

Special Issue

Geotourism

Message from the Guest Editor

Within the field of tourism, geotourism is one of the most recent concepts, primarily focusing on geological and geomorphological features in landscapes to attract tourists. Concurrent with the growth of geotourism, scientific publications on issues related to the subject have increased intensely over the past few years. However, the focus on geotourism has hitherto largely been on its potential as a driver of economic prosperity and rural development. In putting together this Special Issue, we are particularly interested in understanding how geotourism has evolved over time; future challenges of geotourism; geoconservation management; sustainable management of geotourism; geotourism spatial planning and design; tourism impact at different types of geological sites; geotourism in relation to geological hazards and geomorphological changes; geotourism and public perception; geotourists as a market niche; and geotourist behaviour.

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