

## Special Issue

# Navigating Indigenous Connections to Underwater Heritage in the Contemporary Era

### Message from the Guest Editors

Humans have long been connected to coastal and lakeside environments, offering insights into historical flooding and change. This Special Issue explores Indigenous ties to submerged cultural landscapes, focusing on cultural context, methodologies, and contemporary issues. We invite contributions on underwater environments, case studies of inundated landscapes, associated myths, and traditional practices related to underwater resources. Research co-designed and co-led with Indigenous communities, including participatory approaches, is of particular interest. Projects using physical sciences to document submerged landscapes are also encouraged. Ethical considerations in researching inundated landscapes are important. Contemporary challenges include difficulties Indigenous communities face in maintaining connections to submerged sites, their role in managing and preserving them, and how Indigenous perspectives enrich understanding. We also seek policy recommendations for conservation, landscape management, and opportunities for cultural tourism and sustainable development.

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