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Behavioural Variability

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Nowadays, we consider behaviour as a malleable phenotypic trait, which contributes to adaptation, and thus a driver of population dynamics and evolutionary processes. Animal behaviour also has direct applications to human interests such as pest control, conservation biology, and technology improvement.

Behavioural variability is currently considered one of the biodiversity levels (ethodiversity) that allow the development of different strategies within and between species, but this kind of diversity is still poorly considered in conservation programmes. Behaviours can be lost due to environmental changes and with them, the opportunity to survive for the species involved and for those dependent on them and to maintain the supply of the ecosystem services from which our socioeconomics depends.

We strongly encourage all possible works related to behaviour variability in this Special Issue as another kind of variability that could help us to better understand our world, to deal with the present problems, and to be prepared for the ones that will arrive



