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Terraced Landscapes as Models of Ecological Sustainability

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Message from the Guest Editors

Creating terraced landscapes has made large sloping areas productive and has conserved soil, water, and ecosystems. Awareness of terraced landscapes is growing considerably at the global, European, and national levels. Research, academic studies, civil initiatives (e.g., International Terraced Landscapes Alliance (ITLA)), important recognitions (e.g., terraced landscapes listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites), and various documents about terraced landscapes have intensified in recent decades. Terraced landscapes worldwide have been exemplary experimentation sites for the domestication of food crops all over the world.

The special issue of the journal *Land* aims to extend the previous findings of the PB perspective and focus primarily on two additional premises: that terraced landscapes are models of ecological sustainability and that actors involved in terraced landscapes play a supporting and crucial role in this process, either as residents or builders of terraced areas.



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