# Special Issue

# Policies, Programs and Tools for Conservation and Sustainability in Tropical Landscapes

### Message from the Guest Editors

The goal of this Special Issue is to collect papers (original research articles and review papers) that provide insights into how land and other land-related natural resources conservation policies, economic tools, and governance instruments (e.g., certifications) contribute to reversing trends of environmental degradation, to fostering forest transitions, to engaging people in land-related conservation programs or stimulating the transition of food production, to more sustainable agricultural systems in tropical landscapes and ecosystems.

- Reversing land degradation through environmental policies and programs;
- The utility of policy instruments in shaping land-use decision making;
- Payment for environmental services as tools to foster transitions to sustainable agricultural landscapes;
- Cultural and social factors influencing stakeholder engagement in land-related conservation initiatives;
- Environmental governance effects on Land-use and land-cover change dynamics in the tropics;
- Comparison of conservation approaches for achieving positive sustainability and biodiversity outcomes in tropical landscapes.

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