

Special Issue

Species Vulnerability and Habitat Loss

Message from the Guest Editors

Understanding species' vulnerability to habitat loss is of pivotal importance for conservation planning of threatened species. It is well known that habitat loss is one of the major threats of biodiversity loss worldwide. When a habitat is destroyed, degraded, or becomes fragmented, the plants, animals, and other organisms that occupy the habitat experience a reduction in the capacity or ability to survive, to the point that populations can decline and become extinct. Some species, however, can thrive in conditions of degraded and fragmented habitats, and can even spread into human-modified habitats. In this Special Issue we are seeking original articles, commentaries, meta-analyses, and reviews that investigate species' responses to habitat loss and the creation of new habitats. What are the traits that are linked to the ability to survive in conditions of habitat loss? What are the consequences of habitat loss in terms of physiological responses and stress levels? This Special Issue is mainly focused on plants and animals, but original contributions on other organisms may be accepted.

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