

## Special Issue

# Land Use and Food Security in China's Urbanizing Regions: Problems and Possibilities

### Message from the Guest Editors

The goal of this Special Issue is to collect papers to increase the scientific understanding of the current status of land use and food security in the urbanizing regions of China. Since the challenges of land use and food security are complex, addressing these challenges often requires a comprehensive and integrated approach that considers environmental, social, and economic factors. This Special Issue seeks to pave the way for innovative solutions that promote land use and food security in the face of urbanization. Therefore, this Special Issue will welcome new insights on strategic planning, innovative agricultural practices, and effective policies to balance the demand for land use and secure food supply. Submissions are encouraged on, but are not limited to, the following sub-themes

- Population and land bearing capacity;
- Environmental impacts and ecological restoration;
- Regional coordination and collaboration for land use and food security;
- Human caloric balance from the perspectives of land use and food security.

We look forward to receiving your original research articles and reviews.

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