

Special Issue

Young Researchers in Urban Contexts and Urban-Rural Interactions

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue aims to highlight the work of early-career researchers in the field of Urban Contexts and Urban-Rural Interactions. The senior author(s) of each contribution should be (a) the first or the corresponding author and (b) within 10 years of completing their PhD (or equivalent) or becoming an assistant professor/on track to make tenure. We welcome submissions of both an academic and a practical nature, exploring urban-rural land use change, urban land governance, urban planning, urbanization impacts on ecosystems, climate and biodiversity. Please provide a short cover letter when submitting the following details: (1) Eligibility of the senior author; (2) Alignment with the scope of the Special Issue and the journal.

We invite the submission of theoretical, applied, and review articles, whether they be local, regional, or global in scale. Interdisciplinary work is also welcome, as well as studies of the potential contributions of land cover and land use to urban systems and urban ecology under global and climate change; we explicitly welcome articles with links to distributional and justice aspects.

Guest Editors

Prof. Dr. Jacques Teller

Local Environment Management and Analysis (LEMA), Urban and Environmental Engineering, University of Liege, 4000 Liège, Belgium

Prof. Dr. Dagmar Haase

Lab of Landscape Ecology, Department of Geography, Humboldt University Berlin, Rudower Chaussee 16, 12489 Berlin, Germany

Deadline for manuscript submissions

25 October 2026



Land

an Open Access Journal
by MDPI

Impact Factor 3.5
CiteScore 6.4



mdpi.com/si/280641

Land
Editorial Office
MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5
4052 Basel, Switzerland
Tel: +41 61 683 77 34
land@mdpi.com

mdpi.com/journal/

[land](https://mdpi.com/journal/land)





Land

an Open Access Journal
by MDPI

Impact Factor 3.5
CiteScore 6.4



[mdpi.com/journal/
land](https://mdpi.com/journal/land)



About the Journal

Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Land is the only open access journal covering all aspects of land science, and it is a pioneering platform for publishing on land system science. Our editorial board is comprised of eminent scholars. We publish high quality research on societally relevant, emerging and innovative topics and results in land system research. It is now one of the top land journals with a significant Impact Factor, and has a goal to become the best journal in land in the coming years.

Editor-in-Chief

Prof. Dr. Christine Fürst
Department Sustainable Landscape Development, Institute for
Geosciences and Geography, University of Halle, Halle, Germany

Author Benefits

Open Access:

free for readers, with article processing charges (APC) paid by authors or their institutions.

High Visibility:

indexed within Scopus, SSCI (Web of Science), GEOBASE, PubAg, AGRIS, GeoRef, RePEc, and other databases.

Journal Rank:

JCR - Q2 (Environmental Studies) / CiteScore - Q1 (Nature and Landscape Conservation)