

Special Issue

Land Use and Natural Resource Management

Message from the Guest Editors

Land is a life-supporting system which plays an important role in human wellbeing. However, lands have been continuously degraded as a result of anthropogenic activities such as deforestation, agriculture, mining and urbanisation. This degradation has an impact on the different dimensions of sustainable development (environmental, economic and social) and contributes to the loss of productivity and services provided by ecosystems (ecosystem services). A person's needs for the various types of ecosystem services (ES) often vary, and are different from those of other people. Thus, if the use of one type of service is maximised it can result in the decline in the provision of other types of ES. The aim of the Special Issue is to contribute to a greater understanding of:

- The complex relationships between land use and the provision of multiple ES and how it can be incorporated in natural resource management decisions.
- Strategies that can be used to manage conflicts of interest associated with different land uses.
- Ecosystem management strategies that can be used to consider both the supply and demand sides in the provision of ES.

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