Special Issue

Sustainability in Fiber Composites

Message from the Guest Editor

Due to the increasing environmental awareness of the population and the knowledge that crude oil is a finite resource, interest in natural fiber-reinforced plastics has been increasing rapidly for several years. Fiber-reinforced plastics, on one hand, are inexpensive and, on the other, have strengths that make them suitable for structural components. The variety of materials is extraordinarily large. There are fiber materials based on glass, carbon, basalt, aramid, and natural fibers that can be spun, laid, and woven in different processing methods and then embedded in plastics. With the use in products, the need for waste treatment and usability grows. Recycling concepts are therefore necessary, and recyclability should be an important factor in the choice of material. This Special Issue will focus on:

Use of renewable raw materials and recycled materials, their influence on properties, and aspects of sustainability;
Recycling, recovery, and usability technologies;
Environmental emissions in the production process;
Effects on life-cycle assessment.

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