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**Message from the Guest Editors**

Dear Colleagues,

The global mineral processing community faces significant challenges, ranging from technological to environmental and economic issues. These challenges are not new: Experts in the field of mineral processing have been confronting and solving such challenges over the centuries, thereby delivering important contributions to the clean and efficient use of our mineral resources. The 3rd International Conference of Young Scholars in Mineral Processing, chaired by associate professor Zhiyong Gao from Central South University, will be held on 26–28 April 2019, in Mianyang, China. We invite professionals from the mineral processing industry, researchers from institutions, as well as academic scholars to attend this conference and share the latest research progress in a wide range of topics concerning mineral processing in China and beyond. This Special Issue aims to select and publish high-quality research papers, short communications, and review articles presented in the conference. We are cordially inviting you to join us at the conference and also to submit your manuscript to this Special Issue.

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