



Inter-disciplinary Analysis of Biodiversity Conservation

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Dear Colleagues,

Biodiversity constitutes a basic component of life at the different scales at which it is expressed, from the genetic variability of populations to the total number of taxons existing on Earth and the many intermediate levels existing in between. Biodiversity is essential to support the variety of ecosystem services (including those still unknown) which benefit human populations, from food to the maintenance of landscape and scenic values, as well as for providing basic resources for physical and emotional health. However, Global Change is fueling an accelerated loss of biodiversity, with cascading effects in many other problems. The reduction of biodiversity is taking place at multiple scales, from loss of genetic variability to extinction of species at local and global levels, where the mass extinction of species is estimated at rates several hundred or thousands of times higher than background or natural extinctions. Many scientists openly speak of a Sixth Mass Extinction on a planetary scale.

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