# **Special Issue**

# Enhancing Urban Green Spaces and Forests to Cultivate a Sustainable Future

# Message from the Guest Editor

As urban populations surge, especially across the Asia-Pacific and other rapidly developing regions, the integration of green infrastructure into cities has become essential for advancing the goals of sustainability and enhancing environmental quality. This Special Issue therefore invites interdisciplinary research that explores the role of urban forestry and green spaces in supporting environmental resilience, ecological balance, habitat connectivity, and cultural integration with nature in urban environments. We particularly welcome case studies and comparative analyses from megacities and rapidly urbanizing areas, where urban greening presents unique opportunities and constraints. Contributions from natural and applied sciences, engineering, economics, ecological science, urban planning, and the humanities are encouraged. By gathering innovative research and grounded practice, this Special Issue aims to generate actionable knowledge that informs urban planning, public policy, and community practice. I look forward to curating a diverse and impactful collection of articles that help reimagine greener, more ecologically balanced, resilient, and nature-integrated urban futures.

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