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Overtourism Impacts, Climate Change and Global Warming on Islands

Message from the Guest Editors

Local growth and development are increasingly dependent on the tourism sector, especially in fragile contexts, such as islands, which often have a growth pattern very dissimilar to that of the mainland, and have economies almost totally based on tourism and connected activities. However, tourism can bring development and growth, as well as negative effects on the local environment and residents. Thus, a sustainable development approach based on quantitative and qualitative indicators needs to be considered, as well as a wide awareness about the need to preserve and valorize local resources and the right cooperative strategies among tourism industry operators. However, we also need to consider the heavy effects of climate change and global warming, which have huge potential implications for travel and tourism. We encourage researchers to highlight the advances, best practices, questions, and any other issue related to this topic in order to encourage a fruitful scientific debate and exchange.

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