Special Issue

Social-Ecological Systems and Marine Plastic Pollution

Message from the Guest Editors

In this Special Issue, we invite studies focusing on non-technological solutions rather than technological innovations (Ellen MacArthur Foundation et al., 2016). Technological solutions alone are not sufficient to solve this issue (Cordier and Uehara, 2019). Furthermore, a solution must be feasible and effective in the context of SES. What kinds of non-technological solutions would be feasible and able to effectively reduce marine plastic pollution and contribute to a desirable SES? This is the research question addressed in this Special Issue, which will accept original and review research that addresses the following topics (non-exhaustive list):

- Social-ecological system modeling and simulation analysis;
- Governance (e.g., better regulation and control);
- Nudges (e.g., governmental information campaigns, information nudges, and default rules (Sunstein et al., 2019));
- Command and control policies (e.g., banning singleuse plastic products and forbidding planned obsolescence of products);
- etc

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