

Special Issue

Socio-Ecological Systems Sustainability

Message from the Guest Editors

The present Special Issue will focus on socioecological systems sustainability.

In order to address the sustainability of socioecological systems (SES), which can be defined as integrated systems of ecosystems and human society with reciprocal feedback and interdependence, a holistic approach seems to be required. Unsustainable trends in the evolution of these social and ecological systems seem to have increased awareness about the need to move faster toward the implementation of more sustainable approaches. Despite this, the real application and acceptance of sustainable policies in socioecological systems is quite far from what is required. Several barriers and difficulties explain this gap between knowledge and action. The major obstacles are related to the complex nature of socioecological systems, the lack of adequate approaches and tools to understand, assess, and communicate the best options for more sustainable systems and to share visions among policy makers, stakeholders and society, regarding key sustainability issues...

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