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Soundscape: A Multidisciplinary Approach for Environmental Sustainability

Message from the Guest Editors

This special issue aims at bringing together researchers of different disciplines in order to provide a multidisciplinary overview on how different sounds contribute to shape the environment and their perception influence the behaviors of humans and animals. Soundscape combines physical, social and psychological approaches to the characterization, management and design of natural and urban sound environment. Scientists have sought to develop strategies to research and influence the relationship between urbanites and their soundscapes; on one hand to minimize the potential negative effects of sound on urban life, and on the other hand to maximize the opportunities for enjoyment or relaxation that anthropized areas sound offer. Researches in Eco-Acoustics and Marine Acoustics will also become important cognitive and decision-making tools for the sustainability of our environment and wildlife conservation. This special issue is an invitation to encourage governmental organizations to include the complexity of urban and natural soundscape into the current regulatory system and to consider it as a guideline for sustainable urban planning and the creation of sustainable environments.

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