

Special Issue

The Concept of Ecosystem Services in Coastal Areas

Message from the Guest Editors

Coastal areas are extremely vulnerable to global environmental change and are already severely affected. Several coastal and marine policies and directives at EU and Global levels already integrate ES assessment and mapping into their frameworks, to which scientific research aims to contribute supporting information. This Special Issue aims to foster the advancement of ES science in coastal areas, welcoming contributions that address, but are not limited to, the following key topics:

- ES indicators and assessment frameworks tailored to the coastal system.
- Assessment, mapping and valuation methods adapted to general and particular features of coastal systems.
- The impacts of climate change and anthropogenic changes on coastal ESs.
- The contributions of ESs to key management challenges in coastal areas and to the implementation of relevant directives (e.g., the EU Marine Strategy Framework Directive, the EU Maritime Spatial Planning Directive, the UN Sustainable Development Goals, and the CBD Aichi Targets).

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