

Special Issue

Impacts of Climate Change on Habitats and Conservation Areas

Message from the Guest Editor

The synergetic effects of climate change and habitat loss are the most striking stressors for biodiversity and ecosystems. Additionally, the customary actions for Nature protection—fixed and perpetual conservation areas—tend to be highly ineffective under climate changes, because of shifting species ranges. Addressing the impacts of climate change over species, ecosystems and conservation area success will require long-term efforts and new ways of thinking and acting. This SI aims to tackle the challenges induced by climate change in the natural and semi-natural landscapes across Europe. Specifically, the following: -species range dynamics; -biotic interactions and stability of communities; -ecosystem functions and services; -relationships between climate mitigation and biodiversity conservation; -handling and integrating uncertainty in nature-based land protection and/or management; -others (related) Studies providing novel analytical, conceptual, integrative, or perspective approaches are expected to give to this SI an important scientific impact within the fundamental and applied fields of “modern-day” ecology and conservation.

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