

## Special Issue

# Integrating Ecosystem Services and Sustainable Development

### Message from the Guest Editor

We are pleased to announce a Special Issue of Sustainability titled “Integrating Ecosystem Services and Sustainable Development.” Sustainable development seeks to achieve a balance between exploitation of the world’s natural resources for current socio-economic development, and the conservation of natural resources. Ecosystem services, sometimes called ‘natural capital’ or ‘nature’s benefits’ to people, are essential for human well-being, and, thus, are integral to all applications of sustainable development. Yet, ecosystem services are often ignored, or play only a tangential role, in planning and activities geared towards sustainable development, including the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

This SI will address a fundamental question: How do we better integrate ecosystem services into sustainable development goals and activities in order to improve policy and management decisions? We are soliciting papers for the SI that address this question in any form. We especially invite papers that push the boundaries, and which might be considered too exploratory or avant-garde for other journals.

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