

Special Issue

Sustainable Land Use Change

Message from the Guest Editors

Unsustainable land use, such as the cultivation of marginal lands, over-grazing of grasslands, over-use of chemicals, and over-exploitation of groundwater, is recognized as the main cause of land degradation and ecosystem deterioration. To alleviate the adverse impacts of this, a series of agrotechnical measures, policies, and eco-rehabilitation programs have been adopted, and thus have promoted the sustainable transformation of land use during recent decades. This Special Issue on the topic of “Sustainable Land Use Change” invites new works that address the identification, dynamics and consequences of sustainable land use change. Specific subjects are focused on identifying the amplitude and rate of land use changes aimed to improve the ecological security and agricultural sustainability, and their effects on ecological restoration, soil and water conservation, ecosystems service, and net primary plant productivity, as well as their impacts on crop and animal production. Prof. Dr. Changhe LU

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