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The Role of Dam Reservoirs in Shaping the River Environment in the Era of Climate Change

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Message from the Guest Editors

The natural river environment is a complex system comprising many co-existing and co-dependent abiotic and biotic elements. The progressive construction of dams and reservoirs is a serious human intervention in river systems, in turn disrupting their natural processes and ecosystems. In addition, the climatic changes observed in recent decades affect the transformation of the river environment. These two factors overlap in many river systems and are difficult to separate. Therefore, it is necessary to constantly monitor and predict the directions of changes caused by these factors (natural and anthropogenic) in the river environment in order to prevent the negative effects of climate change and the construction of hydrotechnical facilities.

The scientific literature has dealt with this problem numerous times, but there are still many gaps and unexplained questions in this topic. The proposed Special Issue will provide a collection of articles presenting highquality research results on the proposed subject, thus representing an important step towards further diagnosing and reducing the risk of adverse changes in the river environment in the future.



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