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Investigating the relationships between biodiversity and functioning of aquatic ecosystems is crucial not only for understanding the role of species and habitats in supporting ecosystem services, but also for the implications related to management. The adoption of sustainable management schemes, balancing conservation requirements, and socio-economical dimensions will critically influence the long-term ability of aquatic ecosystems to maintain their basic attributes and at the same time withstand the sustainable use of ecosystem goods and services.

Within this framework, this Special Issue will gather contributions that address biodiversity conservation within ecosystem management in inland waters (rivers, lakes, reservoirs) and associated transitional ecosystems (estuaries, wetlands, coastal lagoons), with particular emphasis on integrated management and sustainable exploitation of water and living resources, habitat restoration, and reserve management for biodiversity conservation, interactions among stakeholders, and protective legislation.



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