

## Special Issue

# Research on the Aquatic Species Biodiversity and Morphology

### Message from the Guest Editors

Aquatic ecosystems are essential reservoirs of biological diversity but also are among the most threatened systems in the world. This Special Issue deals with zoobenthic biodiversity both in marine and freshwater ecosystems and its importance in the biological processes, ecosystem functioning, and conservation programs. In detail, topics include:

- Biodiversity assessment with traditional as well as innovative techniques, faunistic surveys;
- Global patterns of species dispersion and distribution;
- Endemic and/or invasive species;
- Loss and changes of biodiversity and structure of animal communities related to natural and anthropogenic disturbance;
- Conservation and management of biodiversity;
- Role of morphology in integrative taxonomy;
- Morphological and functional adaptations of species to the habitat;
- Morphological characters in the study of species' reproductive cycles;
- Role of morphological features in phylogenetic studies.

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