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# **GeoHeritage and Geodiversity in the Natural Heritage: Geoparks**

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### Message from the Guest Editor

The Geological Heritage has very diverse elements, both for its intrinsic nature, and for its social and scientific significance. The identification and valuation of the geological and biological heritage, and their interaction in the landscape, should favour the conservation and preservation of this natural and historical heritage. Sustainable development implies a rational use that prevents the degradation or loss of these unique environments in the natural environment, as well as a dissemination and awareness of landscape resources, for a better understanding around the integration of environmental education and nature tourism activities.

The objective of this Special Volume is to highlight the importance of studies on geological heritage and their involvement in geodiversity, describing varied methodologies applied to specific territories (cultural and traditional heritage), as well as singularity and its geoconservation based on active processes (geological risks, anthropic environmental impacts, etc.) and dynamics of its ecosystems (biological invasions, bioindicators, ethnobotanical studies, interactions between species, agrobiodiversity, etc.).









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