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# **Environmentally-Friendly Coatings towards Biofouling Control and Microbiologically Influenced Corrosion (MIC) Inhibition**

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

This Special Issue of *Coatings*, "Environmentally Friendly Marine Coatings for biofouling control and Microbiologically Influenced Corrosion Inhibition", will cover the most recent and promising advances in research surrounding marine coatings for the control of biofouling and for inhibiting microbiologically influenced corrosion.

The main topics that this Special Issue of *Coatings* will cover include the following:

- Foul-releasing coatings;
- Antifouling self-healing coatings;
- Non-releasing biocidal coatings;
- Bio-passive-based polymeric coatings (zwitterionic, self-assembled monolayer approaches);
- Bioinspired coatings (incorporating natural and/or new synthesized biomimetic based agents, microtopographically modified coatings);
- Hybrid and/or multifunctional coatings (amphiphilic/stimuli-responsive systems);
- Sewer concrete coatings.







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