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Dear Colleagues,

Reef fishes have been a study model for multiple disciplines, nurturing the scientific literature for the understanding of behavioral, ecological, and evolutionary processes. This level knowledge has been critical in informing the management, conservation, and use of reef fishes. Furthermore, research has mainly been concentrated on shallow reef habitats, leaving aside those mesophotic reefs (where light penetrates sufficiently to support photosynthesis) which can represent refuge areas for overexploited reef fish species from shallow environments and may characterize unique habitats supporting many new species, functions, and species traits. Not restricted to temperate or mesophotic ecosystems, this Special Issue aims to explore new advances in the understanding of reef fish ecology, fish behavior, diet, reproduction and mating systems, spatial use and movement, links and habitat use, as well as historical and ecological processes of reef fishes as models to underpin the challenges of the new decades.

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