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Despite the wide recognition of protected areas as the main policy tool for intact ecosystem conservation, the extensive species extinction still occurs for both plants and animals. This Special Issue aims to explore the role of threatened forest-dwelling species' conservation in global biodiversity loss, and discuss the effectiveness of the protected areas network in the conservation of intact forest ecosystems around the world. As the establishment of protected areas is closely related to human perceptions and well-being, we warmly welcome studies of an interdisciplinary approach, exploring both ecological and socioeconomic impacts of protected forest areas and other conservation actions aimed to protect threatened forest-dwelling organisms. Papers submitted in this Special Issue are also expected to contribute in the ongoing academic and policy discussion regarding biodiversity extinction in Anthropocene and developing the new management tools linked with forest conservation proposed as more effective initiatives in protecting forest ecosystems and forest-dwelling plants and animals.



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