



Rethinking the Man-Land Relations in China

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Message from the Guest Editors

The complex interactions between humans and land encompassing the excessive intensification of agricultural land, land degradation, farmland abandonment, emerging "hollow villages", land fragmentation, urban renewal, congested traffic, housing shortages, etc. It is necessary to use different lenses to examine various aspects of how human disturbances influence land-use systems and how changes in land use affect human well-being.

This Special Issue seeks to re-examine these changes in man–land relations in transitional China, and rethink our understanding of human–environment interactions in both urban and rural areas, thus advancing theories in land-use science as a major component of land management and sustainability science.

Potential topics include, but are not restricted to, the following:

Regularities of the evolving man–land relations;

Land use transition and its environmental effects;

Land use conflicts/trade-offs;

Land degradation;

Multifunctional land use;

Urban sprawl and regeneration;

Urban–rural migration and housing affairs;

Rural land use;

“Non-grain” utilization of cultivated land and food security.





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