



The Role of Impact Assessment in Facilitating the Consideration of Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation

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Studies from various countries show, however, that the consideration of climate change in precautionary planning is still in the early stages. This Special Issue aims to discuss the role of different instruments of impact assessment (EIA, SEA, HIA, SIA, etc.) in the context of incorporating climate change with a particular view on the benefits and options for tiering when considering climate change in impact assessment at various levels (e.g. for the consideration of alternatives or attention to cumulative effects). Furthermore, the role of impact assessment for the early identification and minimization of conflicts of interest and objectives emerging and/or emphasized due to climate change deserve further attention.

This Special Issue invites original research articles, case studies, reviews and critical perspectives about recent approaches incorporating climate change mitigation and adaptation into impact assessment practice, challenges and benefits resulting from these applications as well as an in-depth view of the role of impact assessment in supporting sustainable development by contributing to conflict prevention and mitigation.





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