



Water Pollution and Lake Ecosystems

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This Special Issue of *Sustainability* will focus attention on not only the range of threats facing our shared freshwater resources but also on the means and mechanisms for mitigating and moderating these threats so as to ensure continued access to safe water supplies by humans and the natural systems upon which they depend. This necessarily is a broad scope, including not only chemical contaminants but also organisms whose natural ranges have been extended through human vectors. In North America, for example, these biological threats include species such as zebra mussels which have been introduced from Europe, while in Africa these threats include water hyacinth and other plants introduced from around the world. By sharing our knowledge and experiences in identifying concerns, isolating sources, and managing the lakes and reservoirs that are the repositories of contaminants, we can contribute to creating an effective approach to meeting Millennium and Sustainable Development Goals associated with ensuring safe and sustainable waters that meet the needs of both humans and the natural environment upon which we depend.

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