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Despite the rapid elevation of aquatic ecosystems into management realms, especially at the country level, and the prominence given to them by global programmes, they tend to be overlooked in favour of socioeconomic development. While the SDG list of indicators in support of natural resources is moderately comprehensive, it lacks holistic monitoring in relation to the evaluation of ecosystems and biodiversity to the extent that these missing-but-vital measures of sustainability threaten the entire SDG Agenda. In addition, an emerging issue is that even where there are indicators, the number of country-level data remain inadequate for evaluating sustainability, a reality that confronted the UN team trying to draft the SDG 6 synthesis report.

This Special Issue will focus on collecting research, at whatever scale, that documents the role of aquatic ecosystems in resource management, with the emphasis being on sustainability and the means to generate the data required to monitor this.





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