



Ecosystem Services in Water Resources and Their Management: Investing in Sustainability

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear colleague,

The ecosystem services (ES) concept can offer a valuable approach for linking human activities and nature, and a solid reason for the conservation and restoration of natural ecosystems. The need to study the links among water quality, ecological and conservation status, water security, and the delivery of ecosystem services in a changing world has tremendously increased.

This Special Issue welcomes contributions that advance our knowledge on how to integrate the ES concept into various sectoral and governance levels, how these numerous ES are related to basic aquatic ecological functions, and how these are linked to biodiversity and water security and, further, to the water–energy–food nexus.

Nevertheless, any knowledge acquired needs to be implemented in practice, and the ES concept is an “open issue”, so the stakeholders’ vision is one of our strategic topics. Transdisciplinary papers with the co-affiliation of academic and non-academic experts and water managers, consultants, policy- makers are particularly welcome.

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