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Message from the Guest Editor

Forests are valuable tourism and recreation resources, attracting billions of visitors worldwide. Forests as tourism and recreation infrastructure contribute significantly to the economic as well as social output to the society. These public benefits are extremely valuable in supporting the community's identity and livelihood and also enhancing the conservation of forest ecosystems and wildlife. Nevertheless, many of these benefits are challenged by seasonality and possible overuse and the use of forests for tourism and recreation purposes might conflict with other forest uses.Over the years, social science researchers have made great effort to better understand how to manage forests and provide opportunities to obtain the socio-economic and environmental benefits available from forest tourism and recreation experiences.In this Special Issue, we will cover various research from around the world that critically describes the current issues and challenges of society and update scientific knowledge related to forest tourism and recreation.

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