

Special Issue

Innovative Strategies for Sustainable Mitigation of Landslide Risk

Message from the Guest Editors

Natural, structural and infrastructural systems are seriously threatened by a natural disastrous phenomena, such as landslides, which can be induced by climate, or earthquakes, or anthropic action. Their diffusion and the the damage intensity of their effects is highest especially in mountaneous countries of severe susceptibility and intense urbanization. The mitigation of landslide risk requires a coherent scientific programme of slope characterization, stability analysis, monitoring and hazard assessment, for a wise selection of the mitigation strategies in light of the diagnosis of the landslide mechanism, in order to identify the most sustainable design. This special issue "Innovative Strategies for Sustainable Mitigation of Landslide Risk" is framed within such a programme and is intended to contribute to three essential actions for the risk mitigation: 1) the monitoring of the processes, 2) the modelling of the processes to diagnose the landslide mechanism and identify the most appropriate remedial measures, and 3) the development of innovative design strategies.

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