# **Special Issue**

## Assessing the Drivers and Proximate Causes of Land Change in Regional Ecosystems

## Message from the Guest Editor

This special issue examines the proximate causes and underlying drivers of historical and emerging trends in regional land use and land cover. As access to spatial imagery and to climate and anthropogenic data continues to expand, clear methodologies and case studies that link trends, proximate causes, and driving forces are essential. It is important to understand drivers of ecosystem recovery as illustrated on forest transition. Goals of this special issue are to highlight methods, theories, and the interacting dynamics of causes, drivers and trends of change. Example topics could include sustainable development, rural land systems, intensification, urban expansion, habitat loss, conservation, recovery, and land use interaction with climate change.

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