

Special Issue

Integrated Approaches to Biomass Sustainability

Message from the Guest Editor

Global efforts to defossilize the economy are gaining momentum in view of fighting climate change and, in all strategies and policies of OECD countries and the IEA, biomass is considered as one of the main sources to replace fossil fuels up to a certain extent. This implies that new crops have to be developed, marginal and abandoned lands must be put into production, new land management systems must be improved, and more intense forestry operations must be fostered while ensuring the sustainability aspects of biomass production and use in a circular economy. Traditionally, at the European Biomass and Exhibition Conference, all the above issues are usually addressed in several presentations. At the EUBCE 2023, 5–8 June in Bologna, several presentations and poster articles are going to be presented on the topic. The scope of the Special Issue is to provide a solid basis for a clear understanding of the above biomass issues with a special focus on innovative biomass production and use in all type of applications and markets. The Special Issue aims to become a global reference on the state of the art on innovative intergraded approaches to biomass sustainability.

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