Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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Aims and Scope

Land (ISSN 2073-445X) is an international and crossdisciplinary open access journal of land use/land change, land management, land system science and landscape, etc. It publishes reviews, regular research papers, communications and short notes, without restriction on the length of papers. Our aim is to encourage scientists to publish their experimental and theoretical research in as much detail as possible in order that results can be reproduced.

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