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Ten Years of Urgent Action: Global Environmental Threats to Health and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

There is increasing awareness in society and sufficient scientific evidence regarding the deteriorating state of the environment and the need for urgent actions to respond to it. In 2015, world leaders made commitments for substantial changes to the way we produce, consume, and prosper without further environmental damage, and moreover, with environmental and social improvements. These ideals were agreed in a set of 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to be achieved by 2030 and by taking action on these, there is the opportunity for fully healthy societies to prosper while protecting the environment.

This Special Issue of *IJERPH* invites papers that address health in the context of global environmental damage and protection (e.g., the co-benefits of acting on health and climate change). Any thematic angles on one, several, or all of the 17 of the SDGs are welcome, and especially in regard to their environmental, global governance, and health equity consequences. Action-oriented research papers and policy-relevant articles are particularly welcome, as are studies from developing and developed country research and studies by young scientists.

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