

***Special Session on:***  
***The Regional Economy of***  
***Mangroves: Ecosystem***  
***Services, Inclusive Livelihoods,***  
***and Climate-Resilient***  
***Development***



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**Purpose and Scope**

This special session examines mangroves as strategic natural capital for climate-resilient regional development. It focuses on the spatially explicit valuation of ecosystem services (coastal protection, fisheries support, and blue carbon) and how these benefits translate into local employment, inclusive livelihoods, and territorial competitiveness. We welcome empirical and methodological contributions on natural capital accounting, regional multipliers, cost-benefit and distributional analysis, and governance mechanisms that strengthen community management and prevent the concentration of benefits. Articles may address policy instruments, financing mechanisms, and market access strategies that align conservation outcomes with well-being, equity, and long-term sustainability in coastal regions, including participatory planning and practical subnational budgeting tools.

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