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For this Special Issue, our aim is to discuss the following topics: (1) to understand the ecological processes that drive ecosystem services and how these are affected by land use changes; (2) how to identify and quantify the specific contribution of the drivers of changes in an ecosystem service; (3) as an interlinked space, how does the urban–rural system respond to gains and losses in an ecosystem service? Papers may address topics including, but are not limited to:

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- 4) Quantifying the contributions of urbanization to food system transformation and its impacts on agricultural land use and rural livelihoods;
- 5) Exchanges and interactions of the urban–rural metabolism;
- 6) Assessing ecosystem vulnerability and resilience of the urban–rural system.



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