

**Call for Manuscripts for a Special Issue of  
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**The Symbolic Transformation of Landscape Space:  
The Role of “Place” in Environmental Communication**

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In recent years, social scientists and scholars of rhetoric have paid increasing attention to the intersection of local geography, culture, identity, and communication when considering the environment. This special issue focuses on the extent to which place—or the cognitive and affective attachments people have for particular or general types of spaces spread across landscapes—is symbolically created and influences the production and reception of environmental communication. Articles will more-or-less address the manner in which human interaction and media representation results in individuals cleaving to various kinds of built and natural environments, how those attachments to heartfelt places mediate communication regarding environmental conditions and policies, and the manner in which personal identities and social structures are related to such place-based communication. The collection of essays will consider the ways in which communication scholarship regarding the role of place in personal, technical, and public spheres can be leveraged to address persistent problems in the management of natural resources, environmental pollution, and sustainable lifestyles.

**CALL FOR PAPERS**

This call for papers invites empirical research and critical essays related to environmental communication and place, including:

- The various roles human communication plays in the development of place-based identities and communities.

- The extent to which communication regarding place functions to effect issues traditionally associated with conservation psychology, environmental sociology, and natural resource policy-making.
- The ways in which perceptions of attractive and repulsive places influence discourse in interpersonal, field-dependent, or civic settings.
- The symbolic manipulation of place to advance public policy or private-sector enterprise.
- Intercultural and international differences in the use of place as a significant trope for environmental communication opportunities.

Manuscripts must be prepared in English, should be crafted in a clear and concise style that avoids jargon, and should not exceed 8,000 words including references. We are prepared to offer additional editorial assistance for manuscripts that examine the intersection of place and communication in non-English speaking regions. The journal adheres to APA Style.

Manuscripts must not be under review elsewhere or have appeared in any other published form. All submissions should use MANUSCRIPT CENTRAL, accompanied by a cover letter indicating the desire to have the submission reviewed for this special issue. For further details on manuscript submission, please refer to the “Instructions for authors” on the journal’s website (<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/renc>). Upon notification of acceptance, authors must assign copyright to Taylor and Francis and provide copyright clearance for any copyrighted material.

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