EDITORIAL

Introducing the Journal of Environmentalism, Transformation, and Climate Change: Advancing Knowledge for a Sustainable and Equitable Future

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We are excited to introduce the International Journal of Environmentalism, Transformation, and Climate Change. This peer-reviewed, interdisciplinary journal is committed to advancing knowledge and understanding of urgent environmental issues and transformative climate change approaches. As the Editor-in-Chief, I invite scholars, researchers, practitioners, and policymakers whose expertise is crucial to our mission to share their pioneering work in this dynamic academic platform.

Environmentalism is a social and philosophical movement advocating for the preservation, restoration, and sustainable management of the environment. It emphasizes the interconnectedness of all life forms and promotes practices to safeguard ecosystems for future generations [3–5]. Transformation refers to profound and systemic societal, economic, and ecological changes needed to address global challenges, including shifts in values, behaviors, and technologies [1, 2]. Climate Change is the long-term alteration of temperature and weather patterns, primarily driven by human activities such as greenhouse gas emissions. Its impacts, including rising sea levels, extreme weather events, and biodiversity loss, underscore the urgent need for environmental transformation [1].

In this journal, we equally value Environmentalism, advocating for ecological preservation and sustainability; Transformation, emphasizing systemic changes for a resilient future; and Climate Change, addressing its causes, impacts, and solutions. These themes highlight our commitment to fostering knowledge, action, and innovation for a sustainable and equitable planet.

The journal aims to bridge the gap between theoretical exploration and practical application, fostering a holistic understanding of environmental and climate

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challenges. Its scope encompasses a wide range of topics, including but not limited to environmental justice, biodiversity conservation, climate change mitigation and adaptation, renewable energy, circular economy models, transformative learning, and policy innovation. We particularly encourage submissions that explore interdisciplinary perspectives, novel methodologies, and community-based approaches to addressing these critical issues.

We aim to create a platform that disseminates high-quality research and fosters a vibrant and meaningful dialogue among global stakeholders. The journal is committed to amplifying voices from diverse geographic and cultural contexts, recognizing that the challenges and solutions to environmental and climate issues vary widely across regions. Your contributions that emphasize equity, sustainability, and inclusive strategies are not just welcome, but they are at the heart of our mission, making you an integral part of our community.

We invite original research articles, review papers, case studies, and perspectives that contribute to advancing environmentalism and sustainable transformation. Submissions may focus on theoretical frameworks, empirical studies, or actionable strategies that have the potential to influence policy and practice. We particularly encourage submissions that examine the interconnectedness of environmental, social, and economic systems in pursuing sustainable development.

Authors interested in submitting to the journal are encouraged to visit our website for detailed submission guidelines and deadlines. We eagerly await your contributions and look forward to collaborating with a diverse and global community of scholars and practitioners dedicated to a more sustainable and equitable future. Your work will make this journal a platform for impactful research and transformative ideas, and we are committed to supporting you in your journey. Together, let us drive innovation, inspire change, and shape the future of environmentalism and climate action.

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The International *Journal of Environmentalism, Transformation, and Climate Change* proudly joins IECE's family of publications, aligning with its mission to promote accessibility, equity, and global engagement in scholarly communication. By offering open-access publishing, the journal ensures its content reaches a broad audience, including academics, policymakers, practitioners, and communities affected by environmental and climate challenges. This approach enhances the visibility and impact of the research and reinforces the journal's commitment to driving real-world change through knowledge sharing.

We believe the journal, supported by IECE's robust publishing infrastructure and ethical framework, will serve as a beacon for interdisciplinary collaboration and innovation. Together, we strive to inspire and empower the academic community to address some of the most critical challenges of our time, fostering a sustainable and equitable future for all.

As part of its commitment to fostering academic excellence, the *Institute of Emerging and Computer Engineers Inc.* (*IECE*) also offers writing services and training for authors who require additional support in preparing their manuscripts for publication. These services are designed to enhance the quality and clarity of submissions, ensuring that researchers from all backgrounds can effectively share their insights with the global academic community. Whether polishing a manuscript, developing academic writing skills, or navigating the publication process, IECE provides the resources and guidance necessary to succeed in today's competitive scholarly landscape.

Please refer to the links below for those interested in learning more about the credentials and expertise of the International Journal of Environmentalism, Transformation, and Climate Change's Editor-in-Chief. These resources highlight the extensive academic, research, and professional accomplishments that underpin the journal's leadership, ensuring its continued growth as a platform for impactful research and transformative ideas.

We are excited to collaborate with authors, reviewers, and readers in advancing the journal's mission to drive innovation and promote sustainable solutions to environmental and climate challenges.

Yours sincerely,

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Medani P. Bhandari is a widely recognized humanitarian, professor, author, and editor who has significantly contributed to social and environmental sciences. With expertise in social equity, inequality, inclusion, innovation, feminism, sustainability, climate change, and social and environmental policies and management, Dr. Bhandari has dedicated his career to these important areas. In addition to his extensive scholarly work, Dr. Bhandari is a poet, essayist, and advocate for the environment and social causes. His expertise expands to global and international environmental politics and justice, climate change, sustainable development, public/social policy, the non-profit sector, renewable energy, nature, culture, and power. He has gained field experience across diverse regions, including Asia, Africa, North America, Western Europe, Australia, Japan, and the Middle East. Dr. Bhandari has authored and co-edited several books, including Green Web-II: Standards and Perspectives from the IUCN, 2nd Edition, Getting the Climate Science Facts Right: The Role of the IPCC, Reducing Inequalities Towards Sustainable Development Goals: Multilevel Approach, Educational Transformation, Economic Inequality – Trends, Traps, and Trade-offs, Social Inequality as a Global Challenge, The Unbeatable Challenges of Inequality, Perspectives on Sociological Theories, Methodological Debates, and Organizational Sociology, The Past, Present, and Future Directions of Migration/Immigration, Theories, and Practices of Global Journeys, Transforming Futures – Navigating Society, Environment, and Governance, Live and Let Others Live – In Reference to Sustainability and Environment Conservation, Navigating Sustainability: A Comparative Analysis of Micro vs. Macro Strategies in the least Developed Countries, The Nexus of Climate Change and Land-use – Global Scenario with Reference to Nepal, Women and Society etc.. Social Inequality- Past, Present, and Future (in which 15 African Countries' case studies are included), etc. Furthermore, Dr. Bhandariś creative writing encompasses a vast collection of poems and essays. He has published three volumes of poetry in collaboration with Prajita Bhandari. Dr. Bhandariś multifaceted contributions to academia, humanitarianism, and creative writing have solidified his reputation as an esteemed figure in social and environmental sciences, profoundly impacting social equity, sustainability, climate change, and beyond. Professor Bhandari holds five master's degrees in social and environmental sciences and a PhD in sociology. He has been actively involved in environmental conservation and humanitarian efforts through nonprofit and academic platforms. Guided by the philosophy that all living and non-living beings are interconnected ("Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam") and the principle of "Live and Let Others Live," his work reflects a deep commitment to the well-being of our planet and its inhabitants. He serves as an International Program Director at the New York-based NGO Atlantic State Legal Foundation in Syracuse, NY; a professor at Akamai University, USA, and Sumy State University, Ukraine; and an advisor to Gandaki University, Nepal. He is also the UNEP Civil Society Regional Facilitator for North America and the Lead Author of UNEP GEO 7.