

Call for Papers

Psychology and the Environmental Crisis

A Special Issue of *European Psychologist*

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In 2014, a special section of the *European Psychologist* on the psychology of “Environmental Conservation” raised important questions about how psychology could address the growing challenges posed by the impact of human activity on the plants and animals with whom we share our planet (Kaiser, 2014). Since then the climate crisis and associated environmental disruption have become much more visible as topics of public concern. Widespread action by young people led by the inspiring activist Greta Thunberg (2019) have shown how important the action we take today is for generations to come. Psychologists are now engaged with the IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) and with national climate policymakers to inform their programs of action as social science has much to offer to address these challenges.

Aims and Scope

This special issue is devoted to reviewing the current status of psychological theory, research, and practice in five areas detailed below:

- A new social science for the climate crisis;
- The climate crisis and young people;
- Psychological health and the climate crisis;
- Working with national governments or with global organizations;
- Psychology, the environment and social change.

Audience

The target audience will include the following:

- Psychology associations to inform policy makers on the status of psychological science;
- Educationalists wanting materials for teaching and learning;
- Researchers to identify key areas for future focus;
- Psychology associations to help formulate their own policy;
- Government policymakers.

Deadlines and Contact Details

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