EDITORIAL OECOLOGIA AUSTRALIS 2018

*Oecologia Australis* (OA) begins 2018 with a new Editor-in-Chief, whose mission is keep working for the improvement of journal quality and scientific advances. Starting this year, OA is now hosted in the website of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro https://revistas.ufrj.br/index.php/oa. While dealing with financial cuts in the Brazilian public Higher Education institutions, we have invited a Graphic Editor to make part of our editorial team, so that publishing in OA continues to be at no cost for authors. We are also constantly seeking to diversify our editorial team by periodically inviting new researchers as Associate Editors and Technical Editors. If you are interested to make part of our editorial team, please contact us (oecologiaaustralis@gmail.com) describing your expertise, the amount of time you have to dedicate to the journal and your curriculum.

We have four issues scheduled for 2018. This issue is the first of the year and compiles spontaneous submissions. In June we will launch a special issue on *Macroecology and Geographical Ecology*, by Dr. Marcos Figueiredo and Dr. Marcelo Weber as invited editors. In the second semester, we have scheduled another spontaneous submission issue and the special issue on *Ecology and Evolution of Interactions*, by Dr. Marina Wolowski and Dr. Vinícius Brito. For next year, there will be two issues of spontaneous submissions and two special issues titled *Survey, Ecology and Species Management in Protected Areas* by Msc. Izar Aximoff and Dr. Clarissa Rosa, and *Ecology of Wetlands* by Dr. Arnildo Pott and Dr. Camila Aoki. Bellow you will find the call for submission of these Special Issues.

Our goals for this and the next year are to request indexing on the Web of Science platform, and to maintain the issues quality and periodicity. To achieve these goals, responsible, high-quality, and committed participation of all authors, reviewers and editorial team is of paramount importance.

Ana Cláudia Delciellos
Editor-in-Chief
Oecologia Australis
Focus and Scope

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Oecologia Australis is edited by the Postgraduate Programme in Ecology of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (PPGE/UFRJ) and aims to publish reviews, case studies and opinions in Ecology and related areas. The target public of our journal is researchers and undergraduate and graduate students in Ecology and related areas.

Papers may be submitted in Portuguese, Spanish or English. We publish four issues per year, two of which are thematic issues composed by invited authors and edited by invited editors. The remaining two issues are composed of spontaneous submissions.

The journal welcomes the submission of manuscripts that meet the general criteria of significance and scientific excellence. Topics of interest include:

1- Organismal ecology (ecophysiology, animal behavior, natural history, evolutionary biology of organisms)
2- Population ecology
3- Community and metacommunity ecology
4- Macroecology
5- Biogeography
6- Ecosystem ecology
7- Limnology
8- Oceanography
9- Conservation biology
10- Landscape ecology
11- Species Management
12- Environmental education
13- Environmental management
14- Species list and geographic distribution expansion records
Call for submission of the Special Issue: 

Survey, ecology and species management in Protected Areas

Dear Researcher,

We would like to invite you to submit a manuscript to the special issue edition of Oecologia Australis “Survey, ecology and species management in Protected Areas”. The launch of this special issue is expected to occur in Early 2019.

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- Species management, reintroduction and control
- Ecological modelling of occupancy
- Fauna and flora species list, mapping threats and control actions
- Population and community ecology (highlighting rare and endangered species)

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If you accept this invitation, please send the preliminary title for your manuscript along with its authors and a short paragraph describing the aims of the study to oecologiaaustralis@gmail.com by April 9th, 2018. The deadline for the final manuscript submission is June 15th, 2018.

MSc. Izar Aximoff  
Invited editor for the special issue - Oecologia Australis

Dr. Clarissa Rosa  
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Dr. Ana Delciellos  
Editor-in-chief
Call for submission of the Special Issue:

Ecology of Wetlands

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We would like to invite you to submit a manuscript to the special issue edition of Oecologia Australis “Ecology of Wetlands”. The launch of this special issue is expected to occur in Late 2019.

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- Population and community ecology,
- Plant Ecology (e.g. Ecological Anatomy, Dendrochronology),
- Plant-animal interactions,
- Limnology,
- Biodiversity and mapping threats,
- Climate change and their effects,
- Effects of flood, fire, vegetation type etc. on soil seed bank and other regeneration mechanisms.

The studies must have been carried out in wetlands, including veredas and Pantanal.

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Dr. Arnildo Pott
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