

Introduction

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Global Environmental Politics began with the aim of becoming a leading scholarly journal in comparative and international environmental politics. Over the last twenty-two years the journal has thrived, growing to sit at the heart of an intellectual community seeking to understand relationships between global political forces and environmental change. Articles in *Global Environmental Politics* have paid particular attention to the implications of local–global interactions for environmental management, as well as to the implications of environmental change and environmental governance for world politics.

Global Environmental Politics publishes articles to provide new theoretical and empirical knowledge to a community of scholars and readers in a variety of formats. Forum pieces provide a snapshot of a particular issue, presenting a commentary to stimulate discussion on salient issues of interest to other scholars in the field. The aim of these articles is to provoke thought, discussion, and debate amongst our readership. Research Articles provide a traditional medium for providing an original contribution to research on global environmental politics. These are theoretically grounded and engage deeply with existing literature in global environmental politics. Research Notes provide discussions of new data sources and/or research techniques as well as analysis of the practice of research relevant to global environmental politics. In this section, authors can push further on different methodologies appropriate for the analysis of global environmental politics.

In addition, many who publish in *Global Environmental Politics*, and who work on environmental governance more broadly, write interesting and thought-provoking books. Many of these books have been reviewed in *Global Environmental Politics*, either individually or as part of a book review essay. Beth DeSombre took over the book review editor role in 2005 and has committed herself to maintaining a highly rigorous curation of the books being reviewed in these pages for almost two decades. Her dedication to the journal is awe-inspiring. We deeply appreciate all the work that Beth has put into the journal, and we sincerely hope that although she is winding up her role as book review editor this year, she will continue to provide us with her invaluable insight and support for many years to come.

We take this opportunity to welcome Kemi Fuentes-George as our incoming book review editor. Kemi has already seamlessly begun this work, and we wish him a long and fruitful editorship, though perhaps he may not want to vie with Beth for the longest tenure! Please do inform Kemi about forthcoming books (kgeorge@middlebury.edu).

While change is inevitable, we want to acknowledge the care with which Beth and Kemi have treated this important role in the journal, and the joy of working with them.