

# SPECIAL THEMATIC ISSUE ON ECOLOGY OF SOIL MICROORGANISMS

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The Editors invite submissions to a special issue on the ecology of microorganisms in soils. The issue will be related to the conference 'Ecology of Soil Microorganisms – Microbes as Important Drivers of Soil Processes' taking place in Prague, Czech Republic, November 29 – December 3, 2015. For more information visit [www.soilmicrobes.org](http://www.soilmicrobes.org)

This thematic issue will focus on various aspects of soil microbial ecology such as decomposition, biogeochemistry and nutrient cycling, biodiversity and microbial processes in natural and managed soils, interactions of microorganisms with macroorganisms, microbiology of contaminated and anthropogenic soils and effects of the changing environment on soil functioning. *FEMS Microbiology Ecology* will consider full length research papers or reviews up to 7,000 words. There is also the option to submit a shorter research letter or mini-review of up to 3,500 words to *FEMS Microbiology Letters*. The thematic issue will be compiled online in 2016 and will consist of papers published in both journals.

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