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The Baltics, Central Eastern (CEE) and South-eastern (SEE) European region has been at the forefront of dynamic changes, including in forest policy and governance domain, especially in the context of its integration with the European research agenda. Over the past three decades, these countries have navigated through significant political, economic, and environmental transformations, shaping the trajectory of forest management practices and policies. This thematic issue seeks to explore the multifaceted dimensions of forest policy and governance within the Baltic, CEE and SEE countries, offering insights into the evolution of diverse institutional frameworks and contexts and their alignment with broader European frameworks.

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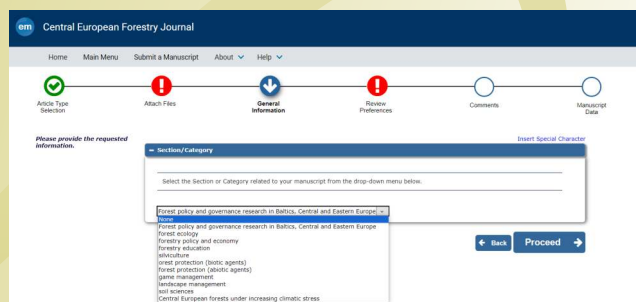
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