Special Issue

Emerging Trends in Criminal Law

Message from the Guest Editors

The leading theme of this Special Issue of *Laws* is "Emerging Trends in Criminal Law". We therefore invite authors from around the world who wish to reflect on the challenges that modernity poses to criminal law. This Special Issue of the journal *Laws* provides a platform for presenting the results of research on these new and concerning phenomena. The voices of scholars from different countries, representing diverse cultures and legal traditions, will undoubtedly facilitate both an accurate diagnosis of these issues and, more importantly, the development of an appropriate legal response. We therefore look forward to receiving articles addressing the problems and contemporary challenges facing 21st-century criminal law—both those outlined here and many others, perhaps currently of a more local nature.

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