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Professor Thomas Elmqvist, PhD, is a professor and highly accomplished scholar in the field of Natural Resource Management at Stockholm Resilience Centre, Stockholm University. His extensive research portfolio is focused on vital areas such as urbanization, urban ecosystem services, land use change, natural disturbances, and the role of social institutions in enhancing resilience. With years of experience and expertise, he has successfully led and coordinated various international interdisciplinary research projects, including the renowned UN-initiated "Cities and Biodiversity Outlook" and the "Urban Planet" project under Future Earth.

In addition to his remarkable research achievements, Professor Elmqvist serves as the Editor in chief for the prestigious Nature Research journal "npj urban sustainability" and is a highly respected associated editor for the publications "Sustainability Science" and "Current Opinion in Environmental Sustainability".

His contributions to the field have been widely acknowledged, with over 100 published papers, 30 books and book chapters, and notable awards such as the Biodiversa Prize 2018 for "Excellence in science and impact" and the Ecological Society of America Prize for "Best Paper in Sustainability Science" in both 2019 and 2023.

His groundbreaking work continues to make a significant impact on our understanding of sustainability and natural resource management.