



Conference Announcement and Call for Papers  
**XIII ANNUAL BIOECON CONFERENCE ON**  
**“Resource Economics, Biodiversity Conservation and Development”**

**11-13 September 2011**  
**Villa Barton**  
**The Graduate Institute**  
**Geneva, Switzerland**

*Hosted by the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (IHEID), Geneva, Switzerland*  
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The Scientific Partners of BIOECON are pleased to announce the Thirteenth Annual International BIOECON conference on “Resource Economics, Biodiversity Conservation and Development”. The conference will be held on the shores of Lake Geneva at the Villa Barton of the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland on 11-13 September 2011. The conference will be of interest to both researchers and policy makers working on living and natural resources, especially renewable resources in developing countries.

The conference takes a broad interest in the area of resources, development and conservation, including but not limited to: plant genetic resources and food security issues, deforestation and development, fisheries and institutional adaptation, development and conservation, wildlife conservation and park pricing, international trade and regulation, and most other issues dealing with living resources. The conference will have sessions on living resources, developing country issues, and issues dealing with economics and institutions dealing with biodiversity.

Papers are specially invited on the themes of:

- Different institutional frameworks for resource conservation (property rights, etc)
- Developing countries and issues of governance and management of natural resources
- Resources management, distribution, equity, conflict, conservation, growth and development, poverty alleviation
- Biological diversity and its global conservation
- Valuation of ecosystem services and their application to biodiversity conservation
- Incorporating natural capital into inclusive wealth accounting
- Foundations for provision of global public goods
- Market creation for biodiversity and PES schemes

The conference will take place over two days, with sessions consisting of papers on all of the above themes. In addition, there will be a policy forum chaired by the Institutional Partners of BIOECON, on the issue of the creation of international mechanisms for financing the conservation of biological diversity.

Keynote speakers for the XIII BIOECON Conference are:

**Professor Erwin Bulte** of Wageningen University and  
**Professor Stephen Polasky** of University of Minnesota.





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Papers may be submitted for presentation within the conference and will be considered by the scientific programme committee. Electronic copies (in WORD or PDF format) should be sent to Carmen Bauer ([Carmen.Bauer@graduateinstitute.ch](mailto:Carmen.Bauer@graduateinstitute.ch)) no later than **15<sup>th</sup> May 2011**. Acceptance of papers will be notified by email by 1<sup>st</sup> June 2011. Registrations for the conference are due by **15<sup>th</sup> June 2011**.

It is also possible to submit 3-4 papers together as a suggested “session” under one of the themes indicated above. The Scientific Partners reserve the right to accept papers on an individual basis, so it is possible that even when a session is not accepted, individual papers within the session might be so.

The conference will open with a reception at the Parc Barton on the early evening of 11<sup>th</sup> September. Conference sessions will commence on the morning of the 12<sup>th</sup> of September and conclude on the afternoon of the 13<sup>th</sup> of September. Two nights’ (single) accommodation will be provided to all persons with a paper accepted for presentation. There will also be a conference banquet at the Chateau des Penthes near the Palais des Nations on the evening of the 12<sup>th</sup> of September. Lunches and refreshments will also be provided.

There is a 100 Euro registration fee for all invited paper presenters and discussants that will cover the costs of 2 nights single accommodation, reception, lunch, and banquet. There is a 200 Euro registration fee for all other participants (not presenting papers or acting as discussants) that will include the banquet, lunches and refreshments, but not accommodation. There is a 100 Euro registration fee for day-participants (that includes lunches and refreshments but not lodging and the conference banquet).

The Partners of BIOECON are attempting to raise funds to subsidise the travel of participants from developing countries. Persons from developing countries should feel free to send papers in response to the Call. If accepted, please respond immediately to the Secretariat indicating that participation in the conference would be conditional on receipt of funds to cover travel and local expenses. If funds are available, they will be rationed between developing country participants in accordance with the rating of the accepted paper.

Registration details are provided on the BIOECON web-site at [www.bioecon-network.org](http://www.bioecon-network.org).

**Registration opens on 1st May.**

Further information on the conference will be posted at [www.bioecon-network.org](http://www.bioecon-network.org).

