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## **16th ANNUAL BIOECON CONFERENCE ON “Biodiversity, Ecosystem Services and Sustainability”**

*Hosted by the London School of Economics (LSE) the Graduate Institute-  
Geneva and University of Cambridge*

21<sup>st</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> September 2014  
Kings College, Cambridge  
United Kingdom

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Climate Change and the Environment (LSE)*

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### **CONFERENCE AND LOGISTICAL DETAILS**

#### **1. The Conference Venue**

The entire conference will take place within the **historic premises of Kings College** (founded in 1441 by Henry VI). It is one of the 31 colleges in the University of Cambridge and is renowned for its ‘backs’ overlooking the River Cam as well as its Chapel and choir. If you intend to attend the full conference we advise you to arrive in Cambridge on the 21<sup>st</sup> as the main Conference proceedings start at 8:45 a.m. on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Sep. Directions of how to get to Cambridge and to Kings College are provided at the end of this document. Once you arrive at the main entrance of Kings College please ask the **College porter** to direct you to the **Conference Office** which will be where you can collect your room key as well as any relevant printed information (programme, book of abstracts etc). The **Conference Office** is located in the Scotts Building. The Office can also be used to store personal belongings if needed. Please note the following details regarding the scheduling of the event:

## 2. Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> of September – Arrival date

Please go to the Conference office and collect keys. The office will be staffed from 2pm-8pm. Please let us know if you will arrive outside these hours. In this case, you will collect your key from the Porter's lodge located at the main entrance of Kings College. The porters lodge is open 24 hours a day so it is not a problem if you are delayed in getting into town.

There are no day activities scheduled for the 21<sup>st</sup> of September so you may wish to take the opportunity of strolling around the historic city centre. Details of places to visit, restaurants, pubs etc. can be found at: <http://www.cam.ac.uk/cambarea/tourist/>. Details about the history and features of Kings College can be found at: <http://www.kings.cam.ac.uk/visit/index.html>.

Visiting the historic Chapel at Kings: though there is no mass or choir in September you are welcome to visit the Chapel (access is free for conference delegates if you are wearing your conference badge).

A welcome reception will be held at 6pm on the 21<sup>st</sup> in Kings College (in the courtyard weather permitting). This will be concluded by 7:30 pm so that delegates can stroll into the nearby historic city centre to explore the local restaurants and pubs.

## 3. Monday 22<sup>st</sup> – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Main Conference

The provisional scheduling for the two days of the conference is as follows:

DAY 0 SUNDAY 21 <sup>ST</sup> OF SEPTEMBER	DAY 1 MONDAY 22 <sup>ST</sup> OF SEPTEMBER		DAY 2 TUESDAY 23 <sup>RD</sup> OF SEPTEMBER	
ARRIVAL, PICK UP ROOM KEYS, FREE DAY WELCOME RECEPTION AND REGISTRATION (6-7:30 PM)	7:45-8:45	Breakfast	7:45- 8:45	Breakfast
	8:00-8:45	Late Registration at Conference Office	8:00-8:45	Check out – return keys and store suitcases at Conference Office
	8:45-9:00	Welcome and Announcements	8:45-9:00	Final Announcement
	9:00-10:00	Keynote Address 1 : Pr. Jim Salzman, Duke	9:00-10:00	Keynote Address 2: Pr. Christian Gollier, Toulouse.
	10:00-10:30	Coffee break	10:00-10:30	Coffee break
	10:30-12:30	Parallel Sessions	10:30-12:30	Parallel Sessions
	12:30-13:30	Lunch	12:30-13:30	Lunch
	13:30-15:00	Parallel Sessions	13:30-15:00	Plenary Policy Session
	15:00-15:30	Coffee break	15:00-15:30	Coffee break
	15:30-17:00	Parallel Sessions	15:30-17:00	Parallel Sessions
	17:00-18:30	Plenary Policy session		END OF CONFERENCE
	18:30-19:30	BIOECON Internal meetings		
	19:15-20:00	Pre-dinner drinks		
20:00-22:00	Banquet Dinner			

The conference takes place in the **Scotts** and **Keynes Buildings**. The main Dining Hall is located in the **Wilkins Building (see map attached)**. If you have special dietary requirements please inform Ms. Kjeldsen ([kristine.kjeldsen@graduateinstitute.ch](mailto:kristine.kjeldsen@graduateinstitute.ch)) before the end of August (those who have done so via the on line payment web-site need not do so again). There is no formal dress code for the conference banquet dinner.

The conference venue will also have an **exhibition area** (close to the coffee break location) where delegates are free to pin up posters or display flyers, books, policy reports etc. Please inform us by the end of August if you intend to display a poster or exhibit of some kind.

#### **4. Scientific programme**

The full scientific programme and papers will be uploaded on the Conference website at: [http://www.bioecon-network.org/pages/16th\\_2014.html](http://www.bioecon-network.org/pages/16th_2014.html)

Each conference day commences with one **keynote address**. This year's speakers are Professor Christian Gollier (University of Toulouse, France) and Professor James Salzman (Duke University, USA).

The scientific programme consists of **parallel sessions** with academic papers. Each paper presented is allocated a 30 minute slot of which 20 minutes are for the presentation by the author, 5 minutes for comments by the designated discussant and the remaining 5 minutes for other questions, exchanges and comments.

The conference programme also includes **special policy sessions** that are run by the policy organisations that support BIOECON. The first day of the scientific programme will close with a plenary policy session on ecosystems and climate change, organised by the LSE and CSIRO. The second policy session will take place in the early afternoon on day two and will focus on ecosystems, biodiversity and natural capital accounting (organised by the LSE). The policy sessions keep with the spirit of the BIOECON network which aims to bring together the academic and policy communities that work on the economics of biodiversity conservation. These sessions aim to critically evaluate current scientific knowledge and identify knowledge gaps that should be filled in order to produce new and improved actionable and effective biodiversity policy recommendations.

#### **5. Instructions for paper presenters, discussants and session chairs.**

The seminar rooms will be equipped with a laptop, power projector and screen.

**Paper presenters** are requested to upload their presentations on the seminar room's laptop 10 minutes before the start of their session.

**Paper discussants:** Most (if not all) paper presenters also act as discussant to another paper in their session. Please consult the programme to see which papers you are to discuss. Paper discussants are kindly requested to download the paper and prepare your comments. If you have any difficulties in downloading papers please notify Ms. Kristine Kjeldsen.

**Session chairs:** Please consult the programme to see if you are chairing any sessions. If so please promptly proceed to the relevant seminar room and confirm that presenters and discussants are present. Please ensure that all speakers stay within the time limits. If there are any IT difficulties during the session please contact the Conference Registration desk. If you are unable to chair the session please inform the organisers as soon as possible.

#### **6. Internet access, printing and other office services support.**

Details on how to access Wi-Fi within Kings College will be provided with your welcome pack. Printing facilities and other office support services are limited. Contact conference staff if you need such assistance and we will do our best to help.

#### **7. Travel and local area information**

##### **Reaching Cambridge:**

**From Stansted Airport:** The rail station is beneath the airport. Trains run regularly from Stansted to Cambridge and take less than half an hour. For fares and timetable please see: <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/>. Once at the

Cambridge station, King's College is a short taxi ride away. Alternatively you can take a bus to the city centre (5-10 minutes) and then Kings College is a few minutes walk away (see <http://goo.gl/maps/Z3CO>)

There is also a direct coach service from/to the airport:<http://www.nationalexpress.com/>

From Heathrow Airport: Upon arriving at Heathrow Airport there is a direct coach service from the Central Bus Station to the centre of Cambridge. The Central Bus Station is well signed and coach tickets for all services can be purchased from the Travel Centre in the station. If you prefer to pre-book your ticket, or wish to check timetables or fares, this can be done at [www.nationalexpress.com](http://www.nationalexpress.com).

Coaches leave Heathrow approximately every 30 minutes, and take approximately 2.5 hours to reach Cambridge. Coaches arrive at Cambridge Parkside stop in central Cambridge. King's College is then a short taxi ride away (taxis can be normally found at the bus stop) or alternatively a 20 minute walk. See map for walking path: <http://goo.gl/maps/j62F>

From other airports: Coaches are also available from Gatwick to Cambridge (4 hours) and Luton to Cambridge (1.5 hours). They also arrive at Cambridge Parkside stop

From Central London: Trains are available to Cambridge from Kings Cross Station (approximately 1 hour) and Liverpool St Station (1-1.5 hours). See <http://www.cam.ac.uk/cambarea/trains/> for further details. King's College is a short taxi ride away from the from the train station.

By Road: Local road connections can be found at <http://www.kings.cam.ac.uk/images/general/roadmap1.jpg>

Please note that the College has no parking spaces. The town car parks are a relatively short distance from the College, but do allow extra time for parking since the city is always busy. For details on car parks, see: <https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/car-parks-map>

#### **Taxi from airports:**

Especially if you are travelling in groups it may be worth looking into sharing a taxi into Cambridge from the airport you will be landing at. Price and booking details can be found at:

<http://www.airportlynx.co.uk/>  
<http://www.panthertaxis.co.uk/>  
<http://www.mastercab.co.uk/>

#### **Additional nights accommodation:**

If you require additional nights accommodation please contact Kristine Kjeldsen [kristine.kjeldsen@graduateinstitute.ch](mailto:kristine.kjeldsen@graduateinstitute.ch). The costs for additional nights will be at your own expense.

There is no guarantee that we can accommodate you at Kings College as the premises are booked for other events all that week. If a room cannot be found you can book a room in another College here

<http://www.cambridgerooms.co.uk/>  
or a hotel room or B&B using the information provided here.  
<http://www.cambridgebedbreakfasts.co.uk/>  
<http://www.accommodation.cam.ac.uk/Info/CentralLocations/>

