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Conference Announcement and Call for Papers

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

21st -23rd September 2014
Kings College, Cambridge
United Kingdom

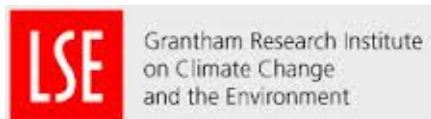
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The BIOECON Partners are pleased to announce the Sixteenth Annual International BIOECON conference on the theme of “Biodiversity, Ecosystem Services and Sustainability”. The conference will be held once again on the premises of **Kings College Cambridge, England on the 22nd -23rd September 2014**. The conference will be of interest to both researchers and policy makers working on issues broadly in the area of biodiversity, ecosystem services, sustainable development and natural capital, in both developed and developing countries.

The conference takes a broad interest in the area of resource management, development and conservation, including but not limited to: the role of biodiversity and ecosystem services in economic development, plant genetic resources and food security issues, deforestation and development, fisheries and institutional adaptation, development and conservation, wildlife conservation, and international trade and regulation. The conference will have sessions on economic development, growth and biodiversity conservation, as well as on institutions and institutional change pertaining to the management of living resources.



Papers are specially invited on the themes of:

- Natural capital and wealth accounting
- Policy evaluation of biodiversity-related policies
- Institutional frameworks for resource conservation (property rights, market instruments etc.)
- Valuation methodology and its application to biodiversity conservation
- Behavioural economics in biodiversity policy design
- Evaluation of conservation policy successes and failures
- Issues of governance and management of natural resources in developing countries
- Development, growth and resource constraints, especially in relation to food security
- Resources management, distribution, development, poverty alleviation
- Institution-building for provision of global public goods

In addition, **two expert policy panels** will be held related to this theme. The first will focus on green growth and natural capital accounting as they pertain to biodiversity and ecosystem services. The second will rise to the challenge raised by a keynote speaker in last year's BIOECON conference in focussing on the impact of climate change on biodiversity and ecosystems and the appropriate policy response.

Keynote speakers for the 16th BIOECON Conference are:

[Professor Christian Gollier, Toulouse School of Economics](#)

[Professor James Salzman, Duke University](#)

Only complete papers may be submitted for presentation within the conference. Electronic copies should be sent to Kristine Kjeldsen (at [**Kristine.Kjeldsen@graduateinstitute.ch**](mailto:Kristine.Kjeldsen@graduateinstitute.ch)) no later than **15th May 2014**. Please include Abstract, JEL Codes and Keywords with your submission. Acceptance of papers will be notified by email by **2nd June 2014**.

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 Kings College on early evening of Sunday 21st of September. Conference sessions will commence on the morning of the 22nd of September and conclude on the afternoon of the 23rd of September. The conference banquet will take place at the main Dining Hall of Kings College on the evening of the 22nd of September.

Selected presenters will be invited to register one presenter for the conference at the "invited presenter" rate. The invited presenter rate consists of a 100 Euro **registration fee** that will cover the costs of 2 nights single accommodation, reception, lunches, and conference banquet. (Anything other than single accommodation must be provided outside of Kings College, and is at the expense of the participant. Additional guests may be registered for the Conference Banquet at the additional cost of 50 Euros per guest.) There is a 200 Euro registration fee for all other participants 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). All other questions regarding fees, registrations and accommodation should be sent to Kristine.Kjeldsen@graduateinstitute.ch.

Registration will open on 2nd June 2014. Registrations for conference presenters are due by **20th June 2014**. Registration for all other participants closes on the **20th August 2014**.

Further registration details and all other conference information will be provided on the [BIOECON web-site](#).