



BIOdiversity and
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Call for Participants

UNEP Workshop and Policy Dialogue on
'Incorporating Biodiversity and Ecosystem
Services into National Development Policy'

Kings College, Cambridge, United Kingdom

An economic perspective on ecosystem management is essential for decision-makers managing resource constraints, conflicts and trade-offs while designing and implementing development policies. Economics provides some tools and methods for considering how to make these trade-offs, and how to deal with these constraints. UNEP's VANTAGE (Valuation & Accounting of Natural Capital for Green Economy) program and Proecoserv (Project on Ecosystem Services) aims to mainstream eco-

system services into fiscal, monetary, trade and investment policy of countries through economic tools.

In order to provide a setting within which policy makers and academics can discuss these problems and issues, UNEP is calling for participation in a Training Workshop to occur at Kings College Cambridge on Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st September.

The workshop is intended to enhance knowledge and skills of participants on the application of economics to the problem of incorporating the values of biodiversity and ecosystem services into national policies.

Specific focuses of the workshop include:

1. Economic Instruments
2. Valuation of Ecosystem Services and Biodiversity
3. Natural Capital Accounting
4. Payment for Ecosystem Services
5. Policy context of Market Based Instruments
6. Case Studies

It will also provide a platform for networking among experts, policy-makers and practitioners. Participants will also have the opportunity to continue their stay at Kings College through the 22 September to include attendance of sessions of the BIO-ECON scientific conference on September 22-23 (see www.bioecon-network.org).

Resource Persons

- Prof. Giles Atkinson, Dept. of Geography and Environment, LSE
- Prof. Stefanie Engel, Dept. of Environment and Economics, ETH Zurich
- Dr. Kirk Hamilton, formerly with The World Bank
- Prof. Nick Hanley, University of St. Andrews
- Dr. Pushpam Kumar, Chief, Ecosystem Services Unit, UNEP
- Prof. James Salzman, Nicholas School of Environment, Duke University
- Prof. Jacqueline McGlade, Chief Scientist, UNEP
- Prof. William Sutherland, Dept. of Zoology, University of Cambridge

To apply:

Policy makers and academics from developing countries are especially invited to apply to attend this workshop and the conference, Please submit a cover letter explaining your interest in the workshop, a CV and (if available) an authored research or policy paper on a subject related to the workshop themes. All applications should be sent by email to Kristine Kjeldsen (Kristine.kjeldsen@graduateinstitute.ch) and Ruth Watulo (Ruth.Watulo@unep.org) by July 31, 2014. Successful applicants will be contacted by August 7, 2014

Applicants accepted to attend the workshop will receive a travel stipend to enable economy travel to and from Cambridge University, as well as accommodation and meals at Kings College on September 20-22.