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RMAP PROGRAM NEWS

Marjorie Sullivan has joined RMAP as Fellow and Consultancy Coordinator. Marjorie is originally a physical geographer, with a research background in geomorphology and hydrology, and in prehistoric land use. Her research interests include human impact on landscapes, the impacts of climate change on both coastal and montane landscapes, and a range of environmental and natural resource management issues including the links between poverty and environment. She has worked previously as an academic in both Australia and PNG, in land management agencies, and most recently as AusAID's environmental adviser. She would like to use her recent experience in development cooperation to undertake consulting work in environment and development, and to seek opportunities for other members of RMAP to become involved in applying their research interests to development situations. Marjorie is located in Room 5019 and her extension is 54953 (6125 4953).

SEMINARS OF INTEREST

MARVIN: a multi-lingual e-learning tool with potential for health education for indigenous peoples

Speakers: David Reid (TIMOOAA Foundation); Nick Russell (Director, Inchain Software House); J. Easterby-Wood (NT Department of Health and Community Services); John Muke (previously lecturer Anthropology, UPNG, presently freelance consultant)

Chair: Dr Ron May (Department of Political and Social Change, RSPAS, ANU)

Date & Time: Wednesday 18 February, 9.00-11.30am

Venue: Lecture Theatre, Roland Wilson Bldg, ANU Campus

(Seminar presented by The Centre for the Contemporary Pacific)

The tobe and tara bandu: How local and state authorities engage in forest protection and land conflict in Oecusse, East Timor

Laura S Meitzner Yoder, Visitor, Anthropology, RSPAS

Date & Time: Friday 27 February, 3:00-4:30 PM

Venue: A.D. Hope Building #14

(presented by School of Archeology and Anthropology).

RECENT ADDITIONS TO RMAP WEBSITE

Conference Calendar

(http://rspas.anu.edu.au/rmap/conf_calendar.html)

Estuaries and Change

ECSA 37 - ERF 2004 Conference, Australia

Ballina Conference Centre, NSW, Australia - June 20-25, 2004.

The conference theme Response of tropical, temperate and polar estuaries to natural and anthropogenic changes identifies that estuaries are subject to both natural and anthropogenic change and that both the forcings and responses may be different at different latitudes.

Call for Abstracts - Deadline for submissions 22 February.

More Information: www.scu.edu.au/ecsa37erf2004conference

OTHER USEFUL TEXT ONLINE

1. The latest issue of BRIDGES contains information relevant to the ongoing discussions at the **seventh Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity** and can be downloaded from <http://www.ictsd.org/biores/04-02-06/index.htm>

2. Greenpeace has launched **The Untouchables - an international report to expose Rimbunan Hijau** as the major player in the global trade in illegal and destructively logged timber. To download the report (pdf, 1.9Mb, 20pgs):
http://www.greenpeace.org/multimedia/download/1/398669/0/RH_Forest_Report.