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RMAP PROGRAM NEWS

Frank Jotzo has just been appointed to the position of Environmental/Resource Economist with the RMAP Program. Frank is completing his PhD in Resource and Environmental Management at CRES, and holds a Masters in Economics of Development from the ANU (NCDS). Frank was employed for several years at the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics (ABARE) where he worked on climate change policy as well as agricultural trade policy. Frank has also worked with the Indonesian NGO *Pelangi* in Jakarta, on a World Bank study on greenhouse gas mitigation options in Indonesia. Frank plans to begin work with RMAP in the middle of 2005, after finishing his thesis.

Project funding secured. After 3 years of gestation and negotiation RMAP has finally signed a contract with Conservation International for conduct of the **Small Islands in Peril Research Program** in Milne Bay Province, PNG (US\$300,000.00). Simon Foale will be working full time on the program under Colin Filer's supervision. The program involves collaboration with the University of PNG.

SEMINARS OF INTEREST

Australia's Papua New Guinea Dilemmas

Dr Bill Standish, PNG specialist and Visiting Fellow in the Arts Faculty, ANU

Date & time: Monday 25 October, 12:10pm

Venue: SL 1, Geography and Oceanography Building, UNSW, Australian Defence Force Academy (Asia-Pacific Seminar Series)

How Poor is Papua New Guinea? How Rich Could it Be?

Tim Curtin, Erstwhile Advisor to the PNG Department of Treasury

Date & time: Thursday 28 October, 12.30 - 1.30pm

Venue: Seminar Room C, Coombs Building, ANU campus (RMAP Seminar)

IUU Fishing in Indonesia: Challenges for Fishery Management

Hendra Yusran Siry, PhD Candidate, RMAP Program

Date & time: Thursday 4 November, 12.30 - 1.30pm

Venue: Seminar Room C, Coombs Building, ANU campus (RMAP Seminar)

Conference Calendar

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

1. **ADR Developing Papua New Guinea.** 15-16 November 2004, Darling Harbour Crowne Plaza, Sydney. The publishers of Asia Pacific Development Review (ADR) are holding an international conference for development professionals, ADR Developing Papua New Guinea Opportunities and Challenges. Hear from world bank and AusAid about future directions in development funding, source valuable business opportunities and connect with established contractors, consultants and suppliers. For further details contact Talia Hunt on (02) 84374764 or talia.hunt@kmimail.com

2. This year the **Principal Investigators Workshop of the Hawaii-JIMAR Pelagic Fisheries Research Program**, November 29 - December 1, 2004, will be followed by the first meeting of the CLIOTOP Working Groups 2 (Physiology, Behaviour and Distribution), 4 (Synthesis and Modeling) and 5 (SocioEconomic Aspects and Management Strategies), December 1 - 3, 2004.

See the Workshop website for further details:

<http://imina.soest.hawaii.edu/PFRP/dec04mtg/dec04mtg.html>.

CLIOTOP is a new Global Ocean Ecosystem Dynamics (GLOBEC) regional program which will address open ocean ecosystem dynamics, the influence of climate on the dynamics of top predator populations, and the socioeconomic aspects of climate-related stock dynamics.

(<http://www.pml.ac.uk/globec/structure/regional/cliotop/cliotop.htm>). If you just want to be informed on the CLIOTOP activities, please send an email at PatrickI@spc.int with your contact details and the mention "I want to be in the CLIOTOP list of distribution" in the Subject.

3. **The International Conference on Environmental, Cultural, Economic and Social Sustainability**, East-West Center, Hawai'i, 25-27 February 2005.

This conference aims to develop an holistic view of sustainability, in which environmental, cultural and economic issues are inseparably interlinked. It will work in a multidisciplinary way, across the diverse fields and taking varied perspectives in order to address the fundamentals of sustainability. The deadline for the first round call for papers is 15 November 2004. Full details of the conference, including an online call for papers form, are to be found at the conference website:

<http://www.SustainabilityConference.com>

OTHER NEWS

Scholarship opportunity

School of Resources, Environment & Society, ANU - New research project – PhD researcher required.

SRES is a partner in a new 3-year ACIAR research project - '**Community partnerships for plantation forestry: Enhancing rural incomes from forestry in eastern Indonesia and Australia**'.

We plan to appoint a PhD researcher to be part of the project's international research team.

Details: http://www.anu.edu.au/nie/docs/2004-10_ACIAR_CF_PhD.pdf

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Prof Peter Kanowski (Peter.Kanowski@anu.edu.au, ph 02 6125 2667) as soon as possible.