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SEMINARS OF INTEREST

Women, Chiefs and Trolling Tuna - Some Bougainville Fieldwork Observations

Katharina Schneider, PhD Candidate, University of Cambridge
Date & time: Tuesday 14 June, 12.30 - 1.30
Venue: Seminar Room C, Coombs Building, ANU campus
(RMAP Seminar)

Competing Livelihood Diversification Strategies of the Landless Poor and the Landowning Rich: A Case Study of Pond Fishery in Bangladesh

Rie Makita, PhD Student, Department of Human Geography, RSPAS
Date & time: Monday, 20 June, 3.30pm - 5.00pm
Venue: Seminar Room C, Coombs Building
(Human Geography Seminar)

RECENT ADDITIONS TO RMAP WEBSITE

Working Papers

<http://rspas.anu.edu.au/rmap/workingpapers.php>

Hughes, P. 2005. **The Difficult Problem of Measuring the Village-Level Socio-Economic Benefits of Road Rehabilitation Projects in Rural Asia and Papua New Guinea.** Australian National University, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, RMAP Program (Working Paper No. 62).

Conference Calendar

http://rspas.anu.edu.au/rmap/conf_calendar.php

Pacific Renewable Energy Forum, 6-7 July 2005, Sydney.

Green Institute in collaboration with Greenpeace Australia Pacific

The purpose of the Forum is to bring together groups and individuals actively working on renewable energy and climate change in the Pacific region, to establish who is doing what and explore opportunities for collaboration and coordination.

Specific focus:

- Identify priorities, constraints and considerations from the viewpoint of Pacific communities. Note that the 'Pacific' is taken to include Pacific Island Countries, East Timor and isolated communities in Australia.
- Identify ways to better coordinate and collaborate towards a larger overall aim, perhaps linked to the Millennium Development Goals, of providing all Pacific communities with energy services which are renewable and sustainable. Specifically address how to measure progress.
- Coordinate efforts to make energy a strategic focus for Australia's aid to the Pacific.
- Discuss input to the Pacific Islands Forum in Papua New Guinea tentatively planned for October 2005.

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Building Bridges towards Integrated Oceans Governance: Linking Ocean Science, Engineering, Technology and Policy. Pacem in Maribus XXXI Conference, Townsville, Queensland, 31 October – 3 November, 2005. Call for abstracts.

The International Ocean Institute and the Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology are co-sponsoring a conference that will bring together scientists, engineers, technologists, social scientists, international policy experts and the private sector to discuss ways whereby the many disciplines engaged in ocean issues might better work together towards integrated ocean governance. The conference is organised around 7 themes including: **coastal and marine activities – environmental, social and economic impacts; Arafura & Timor Seas – challenges and prospects; Marine Biotechnology.** For more details: <http://www.imarest.org/events/pim/>

OTHER NEWS

Water Virtual Learning Center

<http://www.usp.ac.fj/news/story.php?id=63>

The University of the South Pacific has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the United Nations University - International Network on Water, Environment and Health (UNU-INWEH) to formalise the establishment of a Regional Centre of the UN Water Virtual Learning Centre (WVLC) in the Pacific.