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Conference Announcement and Call for Papers NINTH ANNUAL BIOECON CONFERENCE ON “Economics and Institutions for Biodiversity Conservation”

Kings College Cambridge

20-21 September 2007

*Hosted by the Department of Economics, University of College London and the EU project REFGOV
in association with UK-DEFRA, FAO, IUCN, and UNEP-WCMC*

The University College London (UCL) and REFGOV in association with UK-DEFRA, FAO, IUCN and UNEP-WCMC announce the Ninth International BIOECON conference on Economics and Institutions for Biodiversity Conservation. The conference will be held at Kings College Cambridge on 20-21 September 2007. The conference will be of interest to both researchers and policy makers interested in or working in the management and conservation of biodiversity.

The conference will have sessions examining institutional frameworks, the use of social capital and the management of knowledge for biodiversity conservation, as well as the economic analysis of policies for managing biodiversity in a context of high uncertainty. Papers are specifically invited on the themes of:

- Different institutional frameworks for conservation (property rights, contracts, markets, trust funds, public institutions, etc.)
- Role of informal rules such as social capital, trust and reputation in biodiversity conservation
- Efficient knowledge management for the sustainable use of biodiversity
- Foundations for providing for global public goods
- Development of international institutions for biodiversity conservation
- Institutions for payments for environmental services (and especially for international payments) and applied methodologies for valuation of ecosystem services (marine and terrestrial)

The conference will take place over two days, with sessions consisting of papers on the above themes. In addition, there will be a policy forum chaired by DEFRA, FAO, IUCN and UNEP-WCMC, leading a discussion on the issue of the development of mechanisms for making payments for environmental services.

Papers may be submitted for presentation within the conference and will be considered by the programme committee. Electronic copies (in WORD or PDF format) should be sent to Mare Sarr (m.sarr@ucl.ac.uk) no later than 30th April 2007. Acceptance of papers will be notified by email in May 2007. Registrations for the conference are due by 15th June 2007.

The conference will open with a reception at Kings College Cambridge on the early evening of 19th September. Conference sessions will commence on the morning of the 20th of September and conclude on the afternoon of the 21st of September. Accommodation for all participants will be organised within Kings College, with a conference banquet at the Kings College Great Hall on the evening of the 20th of September. Lunches and refreshments will also be provided.

The hosts will cover all conference costs (except travel) for paper presenters and discussants. There will be a £400 registration fee for all other participants that will include two nights lodging at Kings College, the banquet, lunches and refreshments. There is a £100 registration fee for day-participants (that includes lunches and refreshments but not lodging and the conference banquet). Registration details are provided in the following form. Further information on the conference will be posted on the BIOECON web-site at www.bioecon.ucl.ac.uk.



**9th Annual BIOECON Conference on Economics and Institutions for Biodiversity Conservation
 Kings College Cambridge - 20-21 September 2007.**

REGISTRATION FORM (Required no later than 15th of June 2007)

SURNAME _____ NAME _____
 AFFILIATION _____
 POSITION _____
 ADDRESS _____
 PHONE _____ E- MAIL _____
 SIGNATURE _____

REGISTRATION FEE

(Please tick the appropriate box and enclose check (in UK£) if appropriate)

- Paper presenters and discussants (by invitation)..... Fee waived
- Full Conference participants (includes 2 nights lodging for
the 20th and 21st of Sep., banquet, breakfast lunches and refreshments) £400
- Day participants (only includes meals and refreshments) £100

Method of Payment (for fee paying participants)

Please make out a *cheque to University College London* for the relevant amount in UK Pounds Sterling (£) or the equivalent in US dollars or EUROS.

Cancellation/Refund policy

Notice of cancellation of participation must be sent via e-mail to Mare Sarr (m.sarr@ucl.ac.uk)

Refund of registration fees can only be provided if notice of cancellations is received by *the 1st of September*. All refunds will be made at the end of the Conference. If you would like to specify that your registration fee is to be used to enable another person to take part in the Conference on your behalf, please contact Sarr (m.sarr@ucl.ac.uk).

Receipts :

Receipts for fee-paying participants will be made out and sent to you personally to the address indicated above. If you prefer that the receipt be made out and sent to your institution, please fill out the form below:

INSITUTION _____
 DEPARTMENT _____
 ADDRESS _____

Submitting Registration Form

Completed registration forms together with registration fee (where applicable) should be e-mailed to m.sarr@ucl.ac.uk or posted to:

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