



Smithsonian-Mason School of Conservation Courses: Upcoming 2014-2015

Essentials of Open Source GIS (November 17-21, 2014)— *new course!*
 Statistics for Ecology and Conservation Biology (February 9-20, 2015)
 AniMove: Animal Movement Analysis for Conservation (April 13-24, 2015)
 Estimating Animal Abundance and Occupancy (April 27-May 8, 2015)
 Adaptive Management (May 18-22, 2015)
 Conservation Breeding Centers for Wildlife Sustainability (June 1-5, 2015) - *new course!*

GRANTS, FUNDING, JOB OPENINGS

Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) -- MAIZE Competitive Grants 2014: Eleven priority topics in research and capacity building to advance maize-based farming systems in the developing world. Grants from US\$ 20 000 to 200 000. **Deadline is 17 October 2014.**
<http://maize.org/competitive-grants-initiative/>

UK Royal Society -- Newton Advanced Fellowships for the Natural Sciences: Newton Advanced Fellowships provide established international researchers with an opportunity to develop the research strengths and capabilities of their research group through training, collaboration, and reciprocal visits with a partner in the UK. This award is currently available to international early-career group leaders in Brazil, China, Mexico, South Africa, and Turkey for awards of up to three years across the natural sciences. **Deadline is 22 October 2014.**
https://royalsociety.org/grants/schemes/newton-advanced-fellowships/?utm_source=Newton%20updates%20list&utm_campaign=c73c9d8541-Newton_fund_bulletin_10_09_2014&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_fe132e884b-c73c9d8541-99995501

NEW PUBLICATIONS

On understanding the complexity of SADC TFCAs: Climate change and DRR

Climate change and International River Boundaries: fixed points in shifting sands

Sam Grainger, Declan Conway

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/wcc.306/abstract?deniedAccessCustomisedMessage=&userIsAuthenticated=false>

The Politics of establishing catchment management agencies in South Africa: the case of the Breede-Overberg Catchment Management Agency

Richard Meissner, Nikki Funke

http://books.google.co.za/books?hl=en&lr=lang_en&id=21KbBAAQBAJ&oi=fnd&pg=PA184&dq=South+Africa&ots=9M_assmpFfv&sig=PiY6Fhvql4tH4OejCF2Vn07vXCM#v=onepage&q=South%20Africa&f=false

Drought regimes in Southern Africa and how well GCMs simulate them

Eva L. Ujenez, Babatunde J. Abiodun

<http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00382-014-2325-z#page-1>

Remote sensing based drought monitoring in Zimbabwe

Godfrey Mutowo, David Chikodzi

<http://www.emeraldinsight.com/doi/abs/10.1108/DPM-10-2013-0181>

Validation of Local Knowledge Drought Forecasting Systems in the Limpopo River Basin in Southern Africa

Bright Chisadza, Mike J Tumbare, Washington R. Nyabeze, Innocent Nhapi

<http://www.emeraldinsight.com/doi/abs/10.1108/DPM-02-2014-0032>

Interrogating Civil Society: A View from Mozambique

Abdul Ilal, Tanja Kleibl, Ronaldo Munck

http://www.dsairland.org/download/pdf/interrogatingcivilsociety_mozambique_aikrm.pdf?issuul=ignore_

On understanding the complexity of SADC TFCAs: Flora and invasive aliens

Climate change and alien species in South Africa.

Irlich, U. M.; Richardson, D. M.; Davies, S. J.; Chown, S. L.

<http://www.cabdirect.org/abstracts/20143298951.html;jsessionid=26BBF0D4766E78FB75A2753C50C25F36>

Critical Periods of Weed Control for Naked Crabgrass (*Digitaria nuda*), a Grass Weed in Corn in South Africa

Elbé Hugo, Liesl Morey, Anna E. J. Saayman-Du Toit, Carl F. Reinhardt

<http://www.wssajournals.org/doi/abs/10.1614/WS-D-13-00152.1>

Weed Management in Zimbabwean Smallholder Conservation Agriculture Farming Sector

Tarirai Muoni, Blessing Mhlanga

<https://ideas.repec.org/a/asi/ajosrd/2014p267-276.html>

Effect of herbicide application on weed flora under conservation agriculture in Zimbabwe

Tarirai Muoni, Leonard Rusinamhodzi, Joyful T. Rugare, Stanford Mabasa, Eunice Mangosho, Walter Mupangwa, Christian Thierfelder

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0261219414002622>

HAPPENING NOW...

6 – 17 October '14:

[12th Meeting of the Conference of the Party of the Convention on Biological Diversity](#)

Pyeongchang, Republic of Korea

<http://www.cms.int/en/pre-cop11-afr>

13 October '14:

[International Day for Disaster Reduction 2014](#)



GNDR
 GLOBAL NETWORK OF CIVIL SOCIETY
 ORGANISATIONS FOR DISASTER REDUCTION

Message from GNDR:

Today Monday 13th October is the International Day for Disaster Reduction 2014 (IDDR). The theme this year is 'Resilience is for life', celebrating how people of all ages, but older people in particular, contribute to a better understanding and planning of disaster risk in their communities. We want to acknowledge their status as both DRR experts and important stakeholders as part of those vulnerable groups who often bear heavily the impacts of disasters.

We are sending a unified message from across the world as a Thunderclap to amplify the message of inclusive disaster risk reduction. You can still sign up to before 12 noon BST. After you endorse the message, it will be shared at the same time today across the social media channel of your choice (Facebook, Twitter or Tumblr). To endorse this message: please click here and follow the instructions.

GNDR members have been contributing to a HelpAge survey on understanding older people's role in community DRR. The survey so far is exposing the need for knowledge transfer from older people in community DRR to ensure inclusion. Older people have mentioned also climate induced disasters as the greatest threat to them and their communities. They want to be engaged in DRR planning to ensure particular needs and vulnerabilities are acknowledged. There is still time for you to contribute to the HelpAge survey, as part of our IDDR 2014 activities, click on this link!

We are posting and waiting for your posts today on GNDR Facebook page, and tweeting from **@globalnetworkdr**

Also, if you are tweeting during the day please use **#IDDR2014 #DRR**. We look forward to share and retweet your messages

