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HOT JOB

Lecturer in Soil Erosion and Conservation

Silsoe, Bedfordshire, UK, September 11, 2007

Dear Samran.

Greetings from Cranfield! I hope you are well and fighting fit! I am sorry this is such a short email, but I would be grateful if you would alert the WASWC membership of a career opportunity at Cranfield University (UK) - namely a Lectureship in Soil Erosion and Conservation. Details of the post can be found at http://www.cranfield.ac.uk/hr/jobopportunities/vacancies/page12239.jsp

If I can supply you or anyone with any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Jane Rickson

Ref: C/7100H Lecturer in Soil Erosion and Conservation Location: Cranfield Job category: Academic

Duration: Full time, permanent **Salary:** £27,665 to £40,133 **Closing date:** 30 Sep 2007 **Start date:** As soon as possible.



You will be expected to develop and deliver a personal research portfolio and attract research funding and PhD students. You will be responsible for managing one or more taught modules within our MSc programmes in Land Management and Water Management and will lecture on soil erosion, its causes and effects and soil conservation. You will also promote and grow the University's reputation in this field through research contracts, peer-reviewed publications and conference attendance.

Vacancy pack/Further information <u>Lecturer in Soil Erosion and Conservation</u> How to apply <u>Application Form Cranfield</u>



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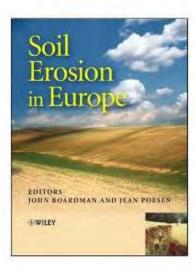
95% of Cranfield graduates enter relevant work or embark on further study Cranfield is one of the top five research intensive UK universities Cranfield's focus is on our customers - private, public and charitable

Ed.: This is a special express service to Cranfield University, the place where I spent 12 weeks at the Short Course in Soil Conservation with Prof Roy Morgan and Ms Jane Rickson in 1986. I sincerely hope that one of our WASWC members will eventually get contracted for this prestigious post.

HOT BOOK

OUT NOW! Soil Erosion in Europe





- Provides a unique and comprehensive assessment of soil erosion throughout Europe
- •Reviews contemporary erosion processes and rates on arable and rangeland in Europe
- Looks at current issues, such as socioeconomic drivers, controlling factors specific to the country and changes in land use



(See more details about this HOT BOOK in p. 12)

AWARDS/PRIZES/FUNDS

▲ Call for Applicants: Fulbright Scholar Awards in Agriculture

Applications continue to be accepted for Fulbright Scholar awards for lecturing, research or combined lecturing/research awards in agriculture during the 2008-2009 academic year. Faculty in agriculture may apply not only for awards specifically in their field, but also for one of the many "All Discipline" awards open to any field.

Visit <u>www.cies.org</u> for descriptions of available awards and new eligibility requirements. Awards are closing daily, so please consult the relevant program officer before applying.

▲ The RIU programme's Innovation Challenge Fund is now accepting concept notes from Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Nepal, Pakistan and Vietnam. The purpose of this call for proposals is not to undertake new research, but to enhance access to existing research findings. A database of the RNRRS outputs under consideration for upscaling can be found via the following link:

http://www.researchintouse.com/index.php?section=16&subsection=49

The closing date for applications is <u>September 30, 2007</u>. To apply please complete the enclosed application form and read the guidance notes that can be found on the RIU web page:

http://www.researchintouse.com/index.php?section=5&subsection=15

Please send any queries you might have to Lucy Nickoll at l.nickoll@nrint.co.uk.

▲ International Finance Corporation (IFC) to launch initiative to protect biodiversity in agricultural commodities production

IFC and the Global Environment Facility, with other donors and partners, will launch an initiative in the third quarter of 2007 to promote best environmental and social practices in the production and overall supply chain of four commodities: palm oil, cocoa, soybeans and sugarcane.

The new program, called the Biodiversity and Agricultural Commodities Program, will offer advisory services for projects involving the private sector that support adoption of better management practices at the

production level, increase the demand for biodiversity-friendly products, and improve financial institutions' ability to support adoption of biodiversity-friendly practices. The program will also support multistakeholder initiatives that create sustainable markets for agricultural commodities. Ecoagriculture Partners will support the monitoring and evaluation of this initiative.

The program management unit will send out requests for project proposals in **September/October 2007**. For more information see: http://www.ifc.org/ifcext/enviro.nsf/Content/Biodiversity_BACP

▲ The <u>Annual Junior Scholar Award</u> of the <u>Anthropology and Environment Section</u> of the <u>American Anthropological Association</u> is awarded at the Association's annual meeting. The purpose of this \$250 award is to encourage talented junior scholars to continue working in the domain of **anthropology and environment** by recognizing their exemplary scholarship.

The award is for scholars beginning their careers who are either untenured and/or within five years of having obtained a Ph.D. Judging will be based on refereed journal articles, which must be at least in galley or page-proof stage of publication. Anthropologists and colleagues in other disciplines are invited to nominate candidates for the award based on their knowledge of the field and the work of junior scholars. Authors are also invited to nominate their own articles.

Nominated articles should be sent to **Avecita Chicchon** (<u>achicchon@wcs.org</u>), together with brief memos that nominate the author(s) and identify the key contributions and qualities of the nominated work. Nominations are due by **October 1, 2007**.

▲ Call for Proposals: Building Capacity for Ecology Fund seeks to develop networks

In anticipation of its centenary, the British Ecological Society (BES) will be supporting ecologists to establish organizations that can promote the science of ecology in their geographic area. The BES will do this through a new initiative called the Building Capacity for Ecology Fund (BCEF), which has the backing of the International Association of Ecology (Intecol). The Building Capacity for Ecology Fund will assist in the development of networks that will allow ecologists in countries that currently lack a well-developed society or ecology institute to interact and gain from the experience and activities of colleagues. Ultimately, they expect the interactions promoted by the Fund to lead to the creation of new national or regional societies that will affiliate to Intecol. The deadline for new applications is **October 15, 2007**.

For an application, guidelines, and a budget template, see http://www.britishecologicalsociety.org/articles/grants/bcef/. Please contact the grant officer with any questions at dominic@britishecologicalsociety.org.

As part of its strategy to create knowledge and unleash potential innovations, the <u>Urban Poverty and Environment Program (UPE)</u> at the <u>International Development Research Centre (IDRC)</u> is launching the **ECOPOLIS Graduate Research and Design Awards** with the goal to promote research projects that help lighten the environmental problems borne by the urban poor and enhance their financial, human, resource, and social and political assets.

Awards will be granted to cover expenses related to Master- or Doctoral-level research projects in developing countries where the candidate has formed a partnership with local academic institutions, such as universities, and non-academic organizations. The deadline for applications is **October 18, 2007**. For more information on the awards and application procedure, please visit the <u>IDRC website</u> or contact the IDRC secretariat at cta@idrc.ca.

▲ The United Nations Environment Program (<u>UNEP</u>) and the Society for Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry (<u>SETAC</u>) have launched a global **Life Cycle Initiative**. The purpose of the <u>Life Cycle Initiative</u> is to enable users around the world to put life cycle thinking into effective practice.

The "UNEP/SETAC Life Cycle Award" acknowledges the work from academics and private companies in developing and emerging economies who have started **visionary and innovative projects based on the** "cradle to cradle" or "life cycle approach".

The reception of proposals of projects to be awarded with 1-year free licenses is now open. Best ideas will receive tools consisting of soft wares from Pré Consultants (SimaPro), ifu Hamburg (Umberto), PE INTERNATIONAL (GaBi), Ecobilan (TEAM) and Green-e (Green-e) and databases from ecoinvent Centre (ecoinvent Database) and IVAM (IVAM Database).

Projects should be submitted to the Secretariat of the UNEP/SETAC Life Cycle Initiative at sc@unep.fr. The submission deadline is 31 October 2007. For more information, click here.

▲ Lighting Africa Competition Launched; Call for Proposals Open Through October 31, 2007
The World Bank Group and partners launched on September 5 the Lighting Africa Development Marketplace
Grant Competition, which seeks innovative projects that address the off-grid lighting needs of Sub-Saharan Africa.

Ten to 20 winners will receive grant funding of up to \$200,000 each for ideas on alternative distribution models, new clean lighting technology, stronger production chains and improvement of the policy environment, among others.

"Among the poor, lighting is often the most expensive of all energy uses," said Hans-Martin Boehmer, manager of the unit implementing the Development Marketplace (DM) program. "The DM will catalyze the development of products and business models to serve the African customer base."

Proposed projects must be for countries in sub-Saharan Africa, but the competition is open to private businesses, civil society groups, universities, government entities and individuals from around the world. Former global DM winners are eligible as long as their proposed idea is significantly different from the one the program already funded.

All proposals will be screened by technical experts against a pre-determined set of criteria, including innovation, impact and sustainability. Roughly 50 finalists will be identified by January and 10 to 20 winners will be selected at a Marketplace event in Ghana, in April 2008.

Sponsors include the World Bank Group, the Energy Sector Management Assistance Program, the Global Environment Facility, the Public-Private Infrastructure Advisory Facility, the European Commission, Good Energies Inc., the governments of the United Kingdom, Luxembourg, Norway and Sweden and the Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership.

APPLY NOW! All proposals must be submitted by 2300 GMT on October 31, 2007. Visit www.lightingafrica.org for more information.

▲ The World Wildlife Fund (WWF) offers Science for Nature Fellowships to support early-career, post-doctoral scientists pursuing research of extraordinary importance and relevance to conservation. Fuller Fellowships link these scientists and their research to on-the-ground conservation work through WWF's global network of conservation scientists and practitioners.

Fuller Fellows are provided with stipend and a research budget, and are co-advised by both academic and WWF mentors. Depending on the project, Fellows can be based at a research institution, at WWF, or in the field. Fuller Fellows also attend the annual <u>Science for Nature Symposia</u>, where they can interact with leaders in science, policy, and conservation and discuss emerging issues and challenges in conservation science.

To apply you must register on the WWF website at http://www.worldwildlife.org/fellowships/fuller2007/elp_login.cfm. Please do not start your online application until you have carefully informed yourself about the Fellowship Terms and Application Process and have all required documents ready to upload. Complete applications must be received by 5 pm EST November 15, 2007. For additional information please click here or contact Keya Chatterjee https://www.worldwildlife.org/fellowships/fuller2007/elp_login.cfm.

▲ Call for Applicants: LIFE and Nature, LIFE and Biodiversity in the European Union

LIFE is the EU's financial instrument supporting environmental and nature conservation projects throughout the EU, as well as in some candidate, acceding and neighboring countries. Since 1992, LIFE has co-financed some 2,750 projects, contributing approximately \$2.72 billion to the protection of the environment.

LIFE+ Nature will co-finance best practice or demonstration projects that contribute to the implementation of the Birds and Habitats Directives. The maximum co-financing rate is 50% but may be 75% for projects focusing on priority species or habitats.

LIFE+ Biodiversity will co-finance innovative or demonstration projects that contribute to the implementation of the objectives of Commission Communication "Halting the loss of biodiversity by 2010 – and beyond". The maximum co-financing rate will be 50%. The Commission has published draft application guidelines in order to help applicants start to prepare their project proposals in time for the submission deadline (**November 30, 2007**) of the first call for proposals. For more information, go to this site.

FELLOWSHIPS

▲ Gender Research Scholarships (Top)

The Michelle R. Clayman Institute for Gender Research at Stanford University hosts around 7 leading scholars each year. Generally, they will be tenured or tenure-track faculty, but we are also open to considering postdoctoral fellows and high fliers from industry and business. Faculty would be expected to join us for one, two or three academic quarters. Each Research Fellow will be offered a stipend of up to \$60,000 depending on status, plus

office space, library access and so on. All the practical details of our Fellowship Program, and more about the Clayman Institute, are at: http://gender.stanford.edu. The closing date for the current round of applications is October 29, 2007. The Clayman Institute is currently focusing on gender / women in the STEM fields. We have a particular interest in "gendered innovations" - that is, where the introduction of gender analysis into science and engineering can change the nature of knowledge itself, for example by challenging existing preconceptions, encouraging new ways to look at old problems, or even changing or creating fields of research. Applications are sought from scholars working in the following areas of research:

- Gendered Innovations in Knowledge. While much has been written on women in science and engineering, especially the difficulty of recruiting and retaining women in these areas, the challenge now is to integrate the insights of gender studies into scientific theory and practice. We welcome research proposals that address how gender analysis, when turned to science and engineering, can profoundly enhance human knowledge. This is where the action is today. The key questions are: How has gender analysis sparked creativity by opening new questions for future research? How can employing gender as a tool of analysis lead to new knowledge? To better understand what we are looking for, see Londa Schiebinger, Has Feminism Changed Science? (Harvard University Press, 1999), part III, or Signs, Journal of Women in Culture and Society, 28 (2003):859-922 on "Feminism Inside the Sciences."
- Title IX in Science and Engineering. Title IX applies to all areas of federally-funded education, including science and engineering. Researchers working on the use of Title IX, in particular identifying criteria for assessing institutional compliance with Title IX, in the sciences are invited to apply.
- Gender in the Physical and Technical Sciences, and Math. Any project addressing questions concerning gender in physics, chemistry, math, geosciences or computer science.
- Gender in Engineering and Computer science.
- Gender in Environmental Sciences.
- Gender in the Life Sciences and Biotechnology.
- Medicine and Women's Health.
- Clustering in Scientific Subfields. Women tend to cluster in particular sciences, such as the life sciences, and in particular subfields of science or engineering (for example, there are many more women in civil than in electrical engineering). We welcome applications that investigate what it is about particular fields that attract or repel women.

Contact: Program Manager, Jane Gruba-Chevalier, jmgruba@stanford.edu

COURSES



September 17-30; October 2007-March 2008

Permaculture Courses: Southern France, September 17-30, and San Luis Obispo County, California, USA, October 2007-March 2008 (1st weekend of each month)

This permaculture course, run by Earthflow Design Works, provides holistic tools for critical decision-making and problem-solving in land and farm management. The design course is a 12-day, information-packed training program. It is presented in 3 parts as a 2-week course or as a monthly weekend series.

For more information see http://www.earthflow.com/upcoming_courses.php#.

"What Permaculturalists are doing is the most important activity that any group is doing on the planet" - Dr. David Suzuki

September 23-27, 2007

Summer Course: Restoration Ecology of Low-Productive Ecosystems, Nijmegen , The Netherlands ,

Restoration ecology is the science of recovery and management of ecological integrity. This course is primarily intended for PhD students who work in the field of restoration ecology of low productive ecosystems, such as heathlands, species rich grasslands and similar communities. Special emphasis will be put upon the interaction between abiotic constraints and restoration success. The program includes:

- lectures of specialists during the morning to provide theoretical background;
- practical field work during the afternoon to train restoration-related research skills;
- short presentations of research projects by the participants.

For more information, see http://www.ser.org/events.asp?EventID=180.

November 8-17, 2007

Leadership Course for Ecoagriculture: Integrated Development of Rural Territories in Central America [Liderazgo para el Desarollo de la Ecoagricultura: Gestion Integrada de Territorios Rurales en Centroamerica], Costa Rica

This international course on scaling up ecoagriculture, to be held in Spanish, will deal with the integrated management of rural territories of Central America. The course will develop capacities in: leadership for action and territorial collaboration; multi-sectoral integrated innovation; identification and analysis of landscapes and territories; and design of strategies and integrated management plans of countries, ecosystems and territories. The course is sponsored by the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA, Costa Rica), Ecoagriculture Partners, the Center for Sustainable Resource Development at University of California Berkeley, and the World Conservation Union (IUCN).

For more information, contact Rebecca Martinez at rebeca.martiniz@iica.int or Jose Carlos Arze jose.carlos.arze@iica.int.

JOBS

Hello Samran:

I was not aware of a United Nations University campus in Canada (central Canada - Ontario province). I saw reference to the school while reading something else. I quickly checked it out and see they are advertising for 3 positions. Here is the URL. It may be too late for a HotNews insert but you may know of others (likely candidates to circulate it to). The Dryland job looks interesting; they are giving preference to candidates from developing countries. http://www.inweh.unu.edu/inweh/Vacancies.htm

Tom G.

The following employment opportunities may be of interest to you

Senior Agricultural Economist & Team Leader

Organisation: The International Livestock Research Institute

Location: Nairobi, Kenya Closing date: 19 October 2007

Director, Forests and Governance Programme

Organisation: Center for International Forestry Research

Location: Bogor, Indonesia Closing date: 15 October 2007 Senior Scientists, Climate Change

Organisation: Center for International Forestry Research

Location: Bogor, Indonesia Closing date: 15 October 2007 Managing Director, Fisheries

Organisation: World Wildlife Fund - US Location: Washington, DC USA Closing Date: 29 September 2007

Deputy Program Director

Organisation: Global Greengrants Fund

Location: Boulder, CO USA Closing Date: 29 September 2007

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GVEP International - 4 positions

Closing date for applications Friday 14 September 2007

GVEP International, a UK-based organisation with charitable objectives and with its head office in London, was established in 2006 by the Global Village Energy Partnership in order to develop and carry out activities to underpin the achievement of the MDGs by improving energy access and promoting innovative approaches to the provision of energy services in villages and communities in developing countries. GVEP International is inviting applications for four new positions to join a small Management Team, in support of a significant expansion of its activities: Programme Manager; Product Development Manager; Finance and Procurement Manager; Office Manager.

In addition to the specific requirements for each position, which all report to the CEO, the following are qualities the organisation seeks for all its staff: a commitment to poverty alleviation and empowerment of the poor; experience in a complex multicultural organisation; experience with the role of business in the sustainable development arena; good communication, interpersonal and teamwork skills; fluent in English and other language(s) desirable.

The positions are all based in London and the senior posts will involve international travel. Please <u>click here</u> for general information on GVEP International.

Detailed job descriptions, including application procedure, are available on the GVEP International website

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NEW INFORMATION SOURCES

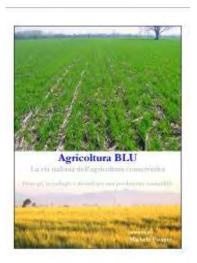
(This is a new column; every item is new every time)

Many or most of these sources can be had for free. WASWC members are encouraged to read through the following list and make your requests or purchases, whatever the case would be; this will help accelerate more exchanges of information among all players in natural resources management.

BOOKS

BLUE AGRICULTURE

the Italian way of the Conservation Agriculture Principles, technologies and methods for a sustainable production



Authors: BENITES, BENVENUTI, DI TULLIO, CARUSO, GONZALEZ, HOLGADO, INTRIERI, MAZZONCINI, MIRAVALLE, MOSCA, PIPIA, PISANTE, PROSDOCIMI GIANQUINTO, RAMAZZOTTI, ROTUNDO, SANTILOCCHI, SARTORI, STAGNARI, TABAGLIO, TAGLIAVINI, TORRES, VENTURA **Editor:** M Pisante

Published by: Il Sole 24 Ore Edagricole, Bologna, Italy, December 2007

The new-born BLUE AGRICULTURE was introduced in Italy at the beginning of the two thousand years from AIGACoS, Italian Association for an Agronomical and Conservative Land Management. It was aimed at achieving the environmental benefits derived from the implementation of the Conservation Agriculture (CA) productive system through: maintaining soil cover with plant residues, reducing mechanical soil disturbance by tillage, introducing of crop rotation and cover crops. In Italy, Conservation Agriculture is less adopted than in the other world adopting regions, the use of cover crop is not a common practice and reduced tillage is used more than no-tillage.

This 257-page book represents the first Italian publication on principles, technologies and methodologies for the adoption of the Conservation Agriculture. It describes in appropriate terminology the actual technology applied in

extensive annual and perennial crops in order to reduce soil erosion and land degradation processes, and to preserve the soil productivity for the future generations. The book is divided in three parts. The first section starts with the introduction of CA as integrated productive system for water and soil preservation: agronomical and environmental aspects, soil-air and water protection, biodiversity and soil monitoring through application of VSA (Visual Soil Assessment) method are reported. It follows the description of the experience of application of CA in Italy, Europe and World-wide. The second section presents the integrated systems management for adoption of the CA: cropping systems and crop rotations, methods to shift from conventional to conservative and cover crops management. It follow paragraphs on annual crops (durum wheat, corn, soybean, sunflower, canola, field vegetables) and on perennial crops (orchards, olive and vineyards).

The third section regards the mechanic technologies, equipment and complementary devices, and also economical evaluation of the cost and profitability of CA. The concluding chapter reports about the results of energetic-economic comparative study conducted in Italy on annual crops (corn, wheat and soybean).

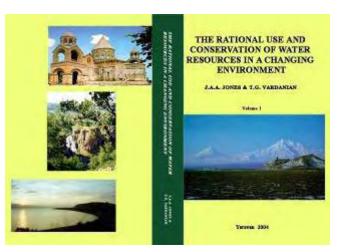
All the authors should feel very proud of the unique spirit of co-operation, dwell sufficiently with the past to establish for the reader a historical perspective on these major topics, although the present and the future are the major items of this book.

Since the adoption of agricultural innovations is typically uneven from farmer to farmer there researchers have directed attention to certain characteristics of farmers and their households in an effort to explain this unevenness. In the case of soil conservation technology the need of information and scientific knowledge among researchers, the urgent necessity to transfer conservation principles and practices to technicians, land owners and farmers, increased in the last years in Italy and Europe. This also due to the recent reforms of the CAP (Common Agricultural Policy) which have focused on improving the environmental benefits of agriculture production with a sustainable management of natural resources (soil and water). These changes require a rational approach to implement with caution, step by step, the CA systems and to evaluate the environmental benefits and economic profitability of Italian Agriculture. It has been the intent of this book to bring together these disparate research efforts, in order to assess the progress made so far by social scientists and to understand the adoption of Blue Agriculture at farm-level, with the ultimate aim of offering refined policy prescriptions at National and Regional level to increase the adoption of CA.

The future of the global environmental and food security will depend on the rapid scientific and technology transfer of sustainable agriculture with particular emphasis on CA, the processes governing the relationship between soil quality and crop productivity, and plant ecology related to several interacting environmental factors. Achieving these scientific advances is feasible, but the actual levels of investment in these specific research areas, in Italy and elsewhere, are not adequate to support the challenge.

Over 250 figures including pictures and tables are reported along the book to explain and demonstrate a wide range of application of the CA and experimental results from international studies. Key references and internet resources are reported at the end of each chapter.

The Rational Use and Conservation of Water Resources in a Changing Environment J.A.A. Jones & T.G. Vardanian/, Yerevan, 2004, volume 1, 273 p., volume 2, 235 pp.



The new book is a collection of papers presented at the International Scientific Conference dedicated to the International Year of Fresh Water-2003, entitled «The Rational Use and Conservation of Water Resources in a Changing Environment». The Conference was organised jointly by the International Geographical Union Commission for Water Sustainability, Yerevan State University and the NGO International Scientific-Research Centre on Water, Climatic and Recreational Resources.

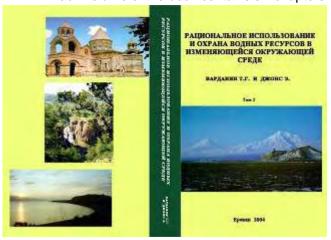
The book is recommended for publication by the International Geographical Union Commission for Water Sustainability.

The book consists of two volumes, containing papers in English and Russian respectively. The first volume contains papers in English, altogether 44 papers, presented by scholars from 22 countries of the world

(United Kingdom, Canada, Germany, Poland, Argentina, India, Nigeria, Armenia, Kuwait, China, Japan, Iran, Serbia and Montenegro, Russia, Italy, Ukraine, USA, Hungary, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Oman, Tajikistan). The

second volume contains papers in Russian, altogether 55 papers, presented by scholars from 7 countries of the world (Russia, Armenia, Tajikistan, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Belarus, Georgia).

Each volume of the book contains six chapters.



Chapter 1. Management of Surface and Groundwater Resources

Chapter 2. Methods for Evaluating and Monitoring the Pollution of Water Resources

Chapter 3. Water Ecosystems, their Conservation and Modeling

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Chapter 5. Hydro-Ecological Problems in the Caucasus Region

Chapter 6. The Problem of Fresh Water

For all questions, please, contact Dr. Trahel Vardanian: tvardanian@ysu.am

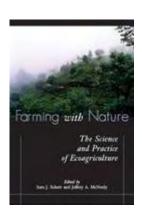
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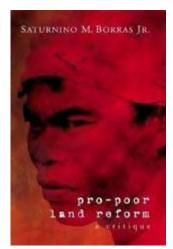
Dear friends,

Some of you did not receive the information in yesterday's newsletter about where you can order copies of the new Farming with Nature book, edited by Sara J. Scherr and Jeffrey N. McNeely. To order a copy of the book, please visit www.islandpress.org or send orders to: Island Press, c/o Chicago Distribution Center, 11030 South Langley, Dept., Chicago, IL 60628.

For more information about Farming with Nature, please visit this page on the Ecoagriculture Partners' website: www.ecoagriculturepartners.org/other/announcement.php?id=38.

Sara J. Scherr





Pro-Poor Land Reform: A Critique

by Saturnino M. Borras Jr.

University of Ottawa Press (September 2007)

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What they say about the book:

Those who read this book will have to look at other land reform experiences with fresh eyes.

- Cristóbal Kay, Professor of Rural Development and Development Studies, Institute of Social Studies , The Hague

This book sheds new light on the political economy of land reform by presenting a highly original analysis of the Philippine experience. Borras's research strategy weaves together an unusually balanced synthesis of significant

empirical research with sophisticated theory. Taking on a case that has been widely seen more through ideological than through scholarly lenses, the author first shows that much more land reform was accomplished than is widely assumed, and then shows how this came about. This involves both very serious original data analysis, to establish the unexpected outcome, and nuanced political analysis, to explain how and why substantially more land was redistributed than was expected. The findings effectively demolish much of the conventional wisdom. Methodologically, the combination of national level data and political analysis with such a wealth of local cases is especially compelling. The study combines extraordinary insider analysis of peasant movement politics with an unusually clear-eyed, distanced view and a refreshing willingness to specify mistakes and misperceptions. Stepping back to the big picture, the author is especially good at tackling the central analytical problem — how to disentangle and account for both the limits of and possibilities for redistributive reform. The book makes an original contribution that is broadly relevant to both scholars and practitioners in development studies — especially those interested in how to carry out anti-poverty reforms under nascent elected regimes. In terms of the study of land reform, the book is broadly cast in terms of cutting edge cross-national international policy and analytical debates. As a result, its resonance will not be limited to those scholars interested in the Philippines — the book addresses intellectual and political puzzles that cut across different regions of the world.

- Jonathan Fox, Professor of Social Sciences, University of California , Santa Cruz

This book is an important, engaging and provocative contribution to the land reform literature. It combines rethinking of key concepts and debates on redistributive land reform with skilful case analysis of reform implementation processes. For these the author has been able to use his personal experiences and contacts, as both front-line reform activist and adviser to the land reform bureaucracy, to obtain insider information which would not have been available to most researchers.

- Ben White, Professor of Rural Sociology, Institute of Social Studies (ISS), The Hagu

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▲ New Book: The Earth Only Endures - On Reconnecting with Nature and Our Place In It

This book by Professor Jules Pretty at the Center for the Environment and Society at the University of Essex, published by Earthscan Press, explores the changing relationship of humans to the natural world through a series of interlinked essays organized into sixteen chapters. It explores the human relationship with nature, animals and places. Centering on themes of connections and estrangement, it offers directions for an optimistic future. The book is organized into 5 sections: Green Places, Animals and Us, Food and Land, People and Land, and The Future. Showing how our modern lifestyles and economies would need 6-8 earths to support them if they were adopted by the entire world's population, Pretty discusses the challenges of climate change and warns against a pending global environmental catastrophe. To order the book see: www.earthscan.co.uk.

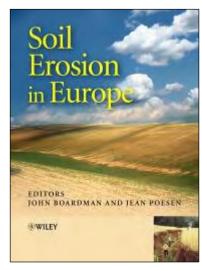
▲ Durable Rural Development – a book on a CD

This book will very soon be available, it grew from a survey of NGOs in Nepal and is based on the authors 30 years experience in agriculturally related work, with rural communities in Taiwan and Nepal. In the work he cooperated with and observed the other aspects of rural development.

Sadly too much rural development is not durable, there is also too much reinventing wheels. There is not enough networking between organisations involved in similar work. There is too much following the current fashion in development, fitting the situation to the approach rather than the approach to the situation. Another common problem is to address one aspect in isolation, rather than looking at the overall situation the rural community have to live with, and how the solutions proposed will fit into that situation. There are many case studies to illustrate points raised. The main part of the book is supplemented by 15 appendixes many of which will be of interest to those working on soil and water conservation.

Practical Surveying of Land for Soil Conservation. Causes of failure of water systems. The need for Longer term commitment. Water resources. The Good News Bulldozer. Why we should try to mimic Jungle conditions. Durable Soil Conservation. Managing Community Forest Land.

The book will be available at www.peterstorey.co.uk



Soil Erosion in Europe

Soil Erosion in Europe provides a unique and comprehensive assessment of soil erosion throughout Europe, which is an important aspect to control and manage if landscapes are to be sustained for the future.

Written in two parts, this book primarily focuses on current issues, area-specific soil erosion rates, on and off-site impacts, government responses, soil conservation measures, and soil erosion risk maps. The first section overviews the erosion processes and the problems encountered within each European country, whilst the second section takes a cross-cutting theme approach.

- * Based on a COST-funded project that has been running for five years with 145 erosion scientists from 19 countries
- * Reviews contemporary erosion processes and rates on arable and rangeland in Europe
- * Looks at current issues, such as socio-economic drivers, controlling factors specific to the country and changes in land use.

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Introduction: Past soil erosion in Europe

Soil Erosion Processes.

Erosion processes across Europe: major processes and controlling factors and research needs; Soil Surface Crusting and Structure slumping in Europe; Sheet and rill erosion; Gully Erosion; Piping hazard on collapsible and dispersive soils in Europe; Wind Erosion; Shallow landsliding; Tillage Erosion; Soil losses due to root and tuber harvesting; Soil erosion processes in non-cultivated land; Soil erosion by land levelling.

Risk Assessment and Prediction.

Erosion risk assessment and erosion maps; Rain erosivity; Soil erodibility; Erosion modelling in Europe; Existing soil erosion datasets; Impacts of environmental changes on soil erosion across Europe

Off-site impacts and responses.

Muddy floods; Reservoir sedimentation; Off-site impacts of erosion: eutrophication as an example; Economic Impacts; Government and agency response to the erosion risk; Agri-environmental measures and soil conservation.

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▲ Review of FAO

Recently, there has been an Independent External Evaluation of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nation. The draft report (2.5 Mb, 395 pp) can be downloaded from the website www.fao.org and contains several comments of interest to the global soil science community. One of the recommendations: "Lands and soils should be given greater priority."

WEBSITES (Mixed subjects – hope you will find some of them useful)

▲ www.pointasia.com Digatial map, in Thai PointAsia, Contact: mailadmin@pointasia.com

www.shop.earthscan.co.uk/ProductDetails/mcs/productID/794/.

Publication: Developing Markets for Agrobiodiversity - Securing Livelihoods in Dryland Areas
In this publication by Alessandra Guiliani, pproduced by Bioversity International and published by Earth Scan, Giuliani gives a practical account of a Bioversity study of how communities are developing markets for local products derived from neglected and underutilized plants. The publication highlights how biodiversity can make a contribution to livelihood security in communities that inhabit difficult environments with unique resources.

www.asb.cgiar.org/pdfwebdocs/Velarde-et-al-2007-Preparing-for-a-changing-environment.pdf

Paper: Preparing for a Changing Environment Using Scenarios for Environmental Education
This paper, by Sandra J. Velarde, Sheila H. Rao, Kristen Evans, Tom Vandenbosch and Rocio Prieto, was presented in July to the 4th World Environmental Education Congress in Durban, South Africa. It explains how scenarios and visioning are useful tools for environmental education, in particular for changing environments (social and biophysical). The authors outline the scenarios methodology and present lessons learnt from applying scenarios to environmental education with children and youth in Peru. They conclude with an analysis of the benefits and challenges of using scenarios for environmental education to accomplish environmental awareness objectives. For more information, contact Sandra Velarde at sandvel@yahoo.com.

www.odi.org.uk/nrp/NRP107.pdf.

Article from Overseas Development Institute (ODI): Biofuels, Agriculture and Poverty Reduction
This article, part of the Natural Resource Perspectives series of ODI, examines biofuels from the perspective of poverty reduction. By Leo Peskett, Rachel Slater, Chris Stevens and Annie Dufey the editorial explores such questions such as: Will biofuels take land from food production? What impacts on food prices are likely? And how might biofuels affect food aid from the USA?

The authors conclude that although the outlook for biofuels is highly context specific, there are steps countries and governments can take to improve market coordination; strike a balance between large, centralized processing facilities and smaller low-tech units; and ensure enforcement of regulations, standards, and appropriate technologies to improve the contribution of biofuels production to climate change mitigation.

▲ "recent polls show that ... Miss Teen USA 2007 answers a question about locating her country on a map ... http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lj3iNxZ8Dww "

Giacomo Rambaldi

CALL FOR PAPERS (JOURNAL)

Call for Papers for a Special Series on Agriculture, Rural Development, Land, Drought, Desertification and Africa

The *Natural Resources Forum*, a quarterly journal issued by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and published by Blackwell, announces a call for papers for a special series over the 2007-2009 period on themes to be considered by the United Nations Commission of Sustainable Development in its 16 and 17th sessions:

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- Rural Development
- Land

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- Desertification

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Researchers and practitioners interested in sending articles for this series are invited to first submit an abstract. Articles should be original in nature and between 6,000 and 8,000 words in length. All papers are peer reviewed by experts in the fields concerned. Revisions may be requested before final acceptance.

The deadline for submission to the *Viewpoints* for the February 2008 issue is **September 30, 2007**. The Editorial team looks forward to receiving many contributions.

Questions, comments, and abstracts can be addressed to:

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FRIEND(S) NEED YOUR HELP!

Dear Dr. Samran,

We are seeking for reference in critical pesticide residue levels in soils.

If you or your colleagues have some ideas or reference, especially in the Asian countries, please kindly let us know. Thank you very much.

Dr Pham Quang Ha National Institute for Soils and Fertilizers Hanoi, Vietnam (pqha-nisf@hn.vnn.vn)

Dear Sir,

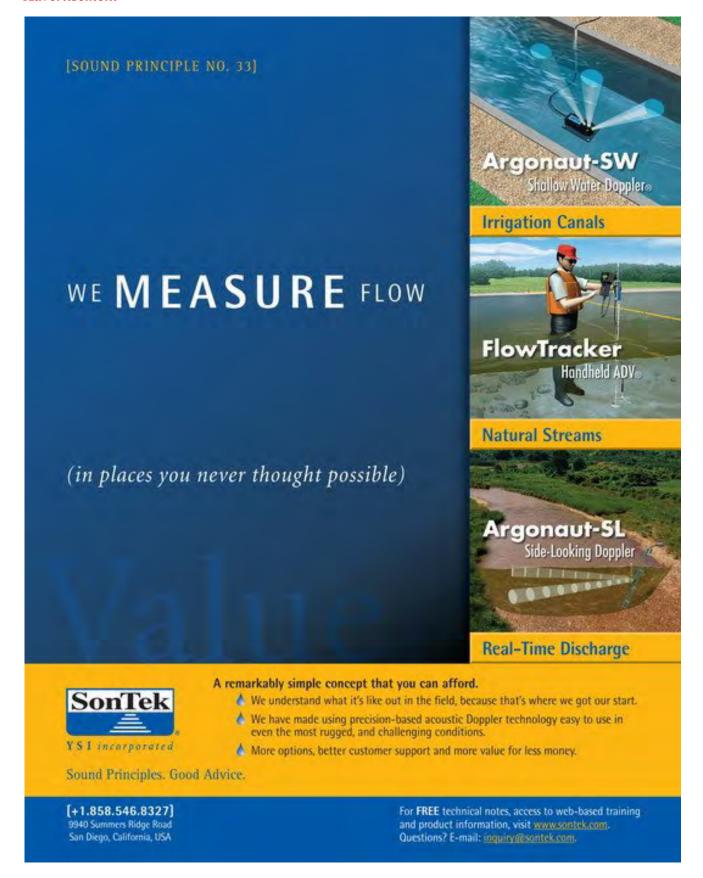
My name is Johnny So and I am a member of BCBP (Brotherhood of Christian Businessmen and Professional - Iloilo Chapter, Philippines). One of the major concerns of our Brotherhood is environment.

Currently, I am researching for data of facts and information which focuses on water as an important thing for mankind to survive and therefore should be conserved.

May I know if WASWC and its member organizations can help me with some important data, articles, brochures or books that will form part of my compilation to present to all our organizational leaders to disseminate to our general membership in taking the conservation of water as a day to day affair in our life.

Your kind assistance will be highly appreciated.

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October 7-9, 2007

Audubon California Assembly, Pacific Grove, California, USA, The 2007 Assembly will examine the problems of global warming from a wildlife and ecosystem perspective and help us understand how global warming should affect our land management decisions. The Assembly will spotlight climate solutions for conserving energy with simple changes around the home to reduce greenhouse gases nationally by 80%. Participants will have an opportunity to attend a variety of interactive workshops on restoration, policy and education, and will be able to interact with renowned speakers emphasizing the importance of effective conservation of California's birds, wildlife and habitat. For more information see: http://ca.audubon.org/audubon_assembly.html. For questions, contact Claudia Eyzaguirre at ceyzaguirre@audubon.org.

November 7-8, 2007

Annual Symposium of the Poverty and Conservation Learning Group (PCLG)

The PCLG Annual Symposium will take place on 7th-8th November 2007 at the Zoological Society of London. During the first half of the first day the PCLG Secretariat will report on the activities undertaken during the previous year. The second half of the first day will be dedicated to a review and a discussion of the most recent initiatives addressing protected areas-poverty linkages. The second day will be devoted to the discussion of the topic 'Climate, Conservation and Poverty'. A limited number of small grants are available to PCLG members who wish to develop their thinking on this - for example through regional workshops, network consultations and so on - in advance of the meeting. Please contact us at pclg@iied.org as soon as possible if you would like to apply for one of these grants or if you would like to know more about the 2007 Symposium. We look forward to seeing you there

Day 1: Wednesday 7th November

Morning Session: Update on PCLG

1. Introductions (a briefing paper will be prepared in advance of the meeting providing introductions to all the organisations represented and including details of relevant project activities).

- 2. Update on PCLG activities this will take the form of a presentation from the PCLG Secretariat on activities and developments to date, as well brief presentations from PCLG members who have received small grants for discrete events or activities.
- 3. Feedback from members on activities to date, on future plans, members' expectations and so on.

Afternoon Session: Protected Areas and Poverty

The PCLG Secretariat has supported a number of activities on the theme of protected area impacts over the last year. A number of PCLG member organisations have also been exploring the issue of protected area-poverty linkages in some depth. This session will provide an opportunity for the Group to catch up on these activities, to review the state of the debate on protected area impacts, to contribute additional experiences and perspectives, and to discuss next steps and potential roles the Group or the Secretariat should take.

Day 2: Thursday 8th November - Poverty, Conservation and Climate Change

This day is intended to raise awareness amongst members as to links between poverty, conservation and climate change; to explore some of the key policy issues; and to think through how Group members might best engage in this debate.

Session 1: Getting up to speed with the issues

- Overview of climate-biodiversity-livelihood linkages
- Overview of the carbon market the science, the funding, the global framework

Session 2: Exploring different mechanisms for linking carbon, biodiversity and communities and their implications for both conservation and local people:

- Reforestation/Afforestation
- Avoided deforestation/Reduced emissions from deforestation

Session 3: Responses

- Community-based alternatives to mainstream carbon sequestration/conservation initiatives including local initiatives to adapt to or mitigate climate change
- Activities of conservation organisations
- · Activities of development agencies

Session 4: Opportunities

This session will be a facilitated discussion to explore how best to take this debate forward and ensuring community concerns and interests are addressed in international discussions on climate change.

More information regarding members, publications, initiatives, and events listed in the newsletter is available on www.povertyandconservation.info the website of the Poverty and Conservation Learning Group.

November 12-17, 2007

12th Annual WOCAT Workshop and Steering Meeting (WWSM12) Manila and Bohol Island, The Philippines 12-17 November 2007

Some highlights for WWSM in the Philippines:

- 1. **Progress reports** and special country presentations
- 2. Mapping: revised mapping method and database/viewer; WOCAT in Google Earth
- 3. WOCAT Strategy 2008-2012; planning activities on global, regional and national level;
- 4. Questionnaires: the revised QT and QA
- 5. **New developments:** e.g. WOCAT on-line, decision support tool, impact monitoring

The 12th WWSM will be jointly organized by the Bureau of Soils and Water Management (by Dr Arnulfo Gesite, OIC of the Soil Conservation and Management Division) and the College of Agriculture of the University of the Philippines at Los Baños (Dr Romeo Labios).

We are very happy after so many years of collaboration with the Philippines to finally be able to see some of their achievements with our own eyes. See the <u>WOCAT database</u> for some examples. It is also quite interesting how the PHILCAT committee is organized and what impact they have had at policy and field levels. But the Philippines have much more to offer, see for instance http://www.tourism.gov.ph/discover/facts.asp or many other sites

The WWSM12 will start at the Bureau of Soils and Water Management, Quezon City (Metro Manila), on November 12 and will move to <u>Bohol Island</u> on the second day. The cost of participation will be around ±US\$70 per day (shared double room) apart from the return air fare from and to your home country, and domestic flight for Manila-Tagbilaran City. Contact for more info or to register: **Dr Arnulfo Gesita** <u>arnulfo_gesite2005@yahoo.com</u>

Note from the Editor:

Deadline is approaching fast, so if members are interested in attending this meeting, the first after the global Wocat overview 'where the land is greener' book has come out, you need to rush.

Apart from attending the meeting with this active SWC professional group you will have a chance to visit the Chocolate Hills, a world heritage site, and to meet face-to-face with tarsiers.

Chocolate Hills is the place with 1,258 low conical hills formed through the geological process and is the only place in the world with



such formation (right). **Tarsiers,** on the other hand, are small mammals relating to monkeys and lemurs. Tarsiers belong to Tarsiidae family; they are described as nocturnal and arboreal carnivorous primates of Malay archipelago that have large round eyes, long legs and a long and nearly hairless tail. Those living in Bohol are said to be among the smallest in the world. See one of them sitting on the girl's head at left.



November 14-16, 2007

Population, Health, and Environment Conference: Integrated Development for East Africa, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

This regional conference will explore concrete ways to address development priorities such as poverty reduction, improved health and natural resource management through an integrated population-health-environment approach. Join field practitioners, policymakers, researchers, the media, community leaders and advocates from Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda and other countries around the world. Participants will engage in discussions, skills-building workshops, a field visit, and networking opportunities. For more information, please visit this site.

November 26-30, 2007

Soil Science Society of East Africa Conference

The 24th Annual Conference of the Soil Science Society of East Africa (SSSEA) will be held on 26-30th November 2007 in Embu, Kenya. The event will draw scientists from research organizations, universities, non-governmental organizations, farmers' groups and international soil related organizations operating in the East African region. The theme of the Conference will be: "Improved Livelihoods through Applied Soil Science and Land Management". Abstracts are to be submitted in both hard and electronic version or as e-mail attachment by 30 August, 2007. The deadline for submission of full papers is on 15th October, 2007. Send your abstract/paper/posters to: SSSEA Secretariat, Kenyan Chapter, P.O. Box 14733-00800 , Nairobi , Kenya . Email to both of these addresses: <a href="mailto:kesecutetasis-kesecutetas

December 14, 2007

Including Land Use and Land Cover Change in Earth System Models, San Francisco, USA This special session at the American Geophysical Union (AGU) 2007 Fall Meeting is an initiative of the Analysis, Integration and Modeling of the Earth System (AIMES) Young Scholars Network 2007. Land use and land cover change are both driver and target of physical and social components of the earth system. The session is intended to provide a platform both for earth system modelers who account for land use changes in their models, and for land use modelers who work on the continental to regional scale.

Presenters are invited to submit abstracts for papers that explore the interaction of physical and social constraints and drivers in land use decision making, that account for land use dynamics and feedbacks

in global model applications, or that provide historical land use data sets. The deadline for submission of abstracts is September 6, 2007.

For more information, please visit http://www.agu.org/meetings/fm07/?content=search&show=detail&sessid=462
For questions related to this session contact Elke Verbeeten at e.verbeeten@cgiar.org.

MEETINGS 2008 ++

January 5-19, 2008

6th Concertation Meeting of BORASSUS Project ("The Environmental and Socio-economic Contribution of Palm Geotextiles to Sustainable Development and Soil Conservation, EU-FP6-INCO - 510745 BORASSUS", supported by EU), Chiang Mai (Thailand), China and Vietnam. For more details contact Mike Fullen (m.fullen@wlv.ac.uk) and Mattiga Panomtaranichagul (mattiga@chiangmai.ac.th)

April 1-4, 2008

Call for Papers, International Symposium on Interdependencies between Upland and Lowland agriculture and resource management (Uplands 2008)

We hereby would like to draw your attention to the international Symposium on "Interdependencies between upland and lowland agriculture and resource management 2008" (Uplands 2008).

The Symposium will take place 1-4 April 2008 at the University of Hohenheim in Stuttgart, Germany. It will address environmental and socioeconomic aspects of upland-lowland interdependencies as well as integrated modelling issues and thus will provide a multi- and interdisciplinary platform for scientists and management professionals.

For further details please refer to the website http://www.uni-hohenheim.de/uplands2008 soon to be posted.

We would greatly appreciate, if you could forward this information to your colleagues and we look forward to receiving your abstracts.

Holger Fröhlich holger.froehlich@uni-hohenheim.de

April 2-4, 2008

Conference: Food Security and Environmental Change: Linking Science, Development and Policy for Adaptation, Oxford, UK

This conference will bring together the research and policy communities addressing food security, environmental change and food policy to:

- Present and discuss research on global environmental change, food security and food systems, and decision support dialogues from the broad international community
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Call for Papers: Abstracts are invited for oral and poster presentation at the conference and should be submitted online at www.foodsecurity.elsevier.com by **October 31, 2007**.

For more information see: www.foodsecurity.elsevier.com.

July 26-30, 2008

SWCS Annual Conference with the International Symposium on Global Land Cover and Land Use Change

Demetrio Zourarakis is organizing the International Symposium on Global Land Cover and Land Use Change for the 2008 SWCS annual conference. I would like to ask you for your considered opinion in response to this initial call. If you or colleagues have active interest in the topic and would consider taking part in the July 2008 symposium, I ask you to kindly reply to Dr. Zourarakis (Demetrio.Zourarakis@ky.gov).

It will be especially helpful if you can forward this request to colleagues or interested scientists/institutions working on Land Use Change who have the potential to participate and contribute to the symposium. Scientists from Mexico and continents other than North America would be especially beneficial to reach with this call.

Given the extent of research taking place on Land Use Change, one idea is to use this symposium as a spring board for a stand alone conference, focused on soil and water conservation, in the future.

Thanks with regards, Sarah Workman (sworkman@uga.edu)

2008 Annual Conference: July 26-30 in Tucson, AZ; Soil and Water Conservation Society http://www.swcs.org/en/conferences/2008 annual conference/

MEETINGS 2009++

January 5-8, 2009





Hello Dr. Samran,

Good morning from Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Please announce the International SWAT Conference in Southeast Asia to be held in Chiang Mai, Thailand, January 5-8, 2009 in WASWC newsletter. The website is at: http://www2.mcc.cmu.ac.th/swat/index.php

Thanks so much, Manny

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First Announcement

During Jan 5-8, 2009, make plans to attend the <u>Soil and Water Assesstment Tool- Southeast Asia</u> (SWAT-SEA) Workshop and Conference in Chiang Mai, Thailand. The first SWAT in the Southeast Asia (SEA) region, with Northern Thailand hospitality. Experiencing the friendly and special events, featured speakers, and exciting displays regarding SWAT principles and applications.

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