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Workshop on

'Pathways to Interdisciplinarity: Analysing the Interface of Nature, Economy and Society'

October 19, 2011

The Indian Society for Ecological Economics (INSEE) with support from the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP), is organizing a one day workshop on **'Pathways to Interdisciplinarity: Analysing the Interface of Nature, Economy and Society'**. The workshop is a build-up to the Sixth Biennial Conference of INSEE on "Nature, Economy and Society: Understanding the Linkages" and will be organized as a pre-Conference event on October 19, 2011 at the Centre for Economic and Social Studies, Hyderabad.

Objectives of the Workshop

The pre-conference workshop aims to sensitize and expose the participants to the various approaches, imperatives and methods toward conducting inter-disciplinary analysis of environmental problems, with special emphasis on developing countries. The workshop will focus on issues covered by the following themes in self-contained modules:

- Analysing social and economic systems : stakeholder interests and power structures
- Entropy and the economic process: re-examining an early initiative
- Sustainable Economies: learnings from macro economics approaches and resilience thinking on economic and social systems
- Biodiversity and ecosystem services: the drivers-pressures-state-responses approach and its variants in sub global studies and assessments

The workshop will lead to a critical examination of concepts, tools and methodologies. It is expected to build a synthesis towards new approaches and methods which will lead to considerable capacity creation in South Asia.

Resource persons:

- Eduardo S. Brondizio, Indiana University, Bloomington, U.S.A.
- Purnamita Dasgupta, Institute of Economic Growth (IEG), Delhi.
- John Gowdy, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; and President, International Society of Ecological Economics (ISEE).

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- G. Haripriya, Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai.
- Sharachchandra Lele, Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE), Bangalore.
- Deepak Malghan, Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore.

Who should apply:

Researchers from South Asia with prior work in the field of environment from the perspective of one (or more) of the social or natural science disciplines, preferably with a PhD in the area of interest.

How to apply:

Interested participants should send a short CV along with a write up (no more than 250 words) along with a statement of purpose (with respect to participation in the workshop) and evidence of prior work in the field of Environmental and Ecological Economics to the office of the General Secretary by email (inseesec@gmail.com) no later than July 15, 2011. Notification to the selected candidates will be sent by August 15, 2011. There is no workshop fee. However, INSEE members will be given preference and all selected participants are expected to participate in the following conference as well. Limited travel support and support for boarding and lodging for the workshop and for conference will be available to selected participants.

Workshop Venue

Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS),
6-3-869, Nizamia Observatory Campus, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh 500016

Workshop Coordinator:

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