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Call for session proposals

for the international and multi-disciplinary scientific conference

„Forest-related policy and governance: Analyses in the environmental social sciences”

Organised by:

University of Göttingen/Germany and
Bogor Agricultural University/Indonesia

Organisers:

Dr. Lukas Giessen
Dr. Dodik R. Nurrochmat

To be held:

at Bogor Agricultural University (IPB) Bogor/Indonesia
from October 4 – 7, 2016

In cooperation with:

International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO)
Division9 “Forest Policy and Economics” and
Unit 09.05 “Forest Policy and Governance”

Keynote presentations

The organisers are proud to announce scientific keynote presentations by:

- **Professor Arun Agrawal**, School of Natural Resources & Environment, University of Michigan/USA
- **Professor Max Krott**, Chair Group of Forest and Nature Conservation Policy, University of Göttingen/Germany

Background

Around the globe, forests are used and conserved in multiple ways. A number of human-based factors determine forest utilisation for often conflicting uses. They include e.g. settlement, infrastructure, agriculture, nature conservation, as well as the production of timber and non-timber forest products and ecosystem services. Resulting forest and forest-related policies aim to address such conflicts, with important broader societal, political, economic and development factors being in place. As a consequence, a fast growing and diversifying research programme addressing questions about society-forests relations has emerged, rooted in a number of social science disciplines.



Aims

This international scholarly conference aims to be the global scientific hub for forest-related social sciences research, including studies on forest-related empirical fields, such as, e.g. agriculture. It will take stock of the latest scientific advancements in the fields of forest-related policy analyses, as well as wider forest-related governance studies from fields, such as, e.g. political science, sociology, anthropology, human geography, regional development, economics, psychology, environment, forest history, legal studies, as well as livelihood and tenure analyses. It strives to include theoretical, methodological and full-blown empirical contributions from around the globe in topical sessions.

In addition the conference aims to provide a platform for science-based contributions on the transfer of scientific knowledge to policy and management practices. It hence dedicates a prominent session to such trans-disciplinary questions at the science-policy interface and includes contributions from various disciplines on this issue as well.

By holding the conference in Indonesia the organisers wish to acknowledge the growing international relevance of the country regarding forest policy practice as well as scientific research in related fields. We invite scholars from around the globe to help us acknowledge this and to join the event in a thought-provoking, tropical, and hospitable environment.

Call for sessions !!

We are now inviting proposals for sessions by colleagues from all social science disciplines and especially young post-doctoral colleagues from all world regions. They may include proposals for open sessions on a specific topic, research approach or discipline, as well as closed sessions with pre-selected presentations e.g. from joint project contexts. Proposals should include a clear aim, be submitted in MS Word format and not exceed 250 words.

Kindly submit your session proposals to Dr. Lukas Giessen at lgiesse@uni-goettingen.de and CC: Dr. Dodik R. Nurrochmat at kskp@apps.ipb.ac.id before March 11, 2016.

In a following call for paper proposals (March 2016) individual authors from around the globe are invited to submit abstracts for oral or poster presentations to one of the proposed sessions. A scientific committee will then assess all proposals for acceptance (April 2016).

Draft papers of oral and poster presentations are expected to be sent to the organisers prior to the conference. A selection of high-quality papers will have the option of being published in a large special issue of *Forest Policy and Economics* (Elsevier, ISI-listed), pending peer review. Other papers will have the option to get published in other, peer-reviewed, scientific journals with more regional scopes.

Kindly distribute this call widely in relevant networks!