

SOCIO-ECOSYSTEMS SYMPOSIUM

The Symposium is relevant to the “disturbance regimes” theme of SAEON and may therefore be of interest to SAEON stakeholders

Re-organisation and management of complex social-ecological systems: global and southern African perspectives

You are invited to attend the following:

The Resilience Alliance (see www.resalliance.org)
together with an emergent
southern African complex adaptive systems group

will present a one day symposium on 28 April 2006 in Tshwane/Pretoria

(Please note that the 28th is a working day following Freedom Day)

Programme

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| 08h00 | Delegate arrival at SANBI Education Centre; payment; early tea |
| 08h20 | Welcome – Hector Magome (Executive Director: Conservation Services, SANParks) |
| 08h30 | Buzz Holling – <i>Collapse in ecosystems leads to renewal. Is that true of Social Systems?</i> |
| 09h00 | Brian Walker – <i>A resilience approach to resource management and governance</i> |
| 09h30 | Carl Folke – <i>Adaptive co-management in linked social-ecological systems</i> |
| 10h00 | Tea |
| 10h30 | Lance Gunderson – <i>Dealing with uncertainty in policy decisions: examples from managed systems</i> |
| 11h00 | Line Gordon – <i>Water and resilience in agro-ecosystems</i> |

- 11h30 Discussion session chaired by Johan Rockstrom (to be confirmed)
- 12h00 Christo Fabricius – *Southern Africa: what spurred our interest?*
- 12h30 Nhlanhla Sihlophe – *Entrepreneurship in a complex communal system*
- 13h00 Lunch
- 14h00 Tim Lynam – *Scale, perception and resilience in Gorongosa-Marrromeu*
- 14h30 Harry Biggs – *Reorganization of land use and societal options: the Bushbuckridge wetlands*
- 15h00 David Cumming – *Collapse and renewal in the South-East Zimbabwe Lowveld*
- 15h30 Tea
- 16h00 Discussion on southern African case studies & opportunities, chaired by Peter Ashton
- 16h30 Overall discussion session (co-chairs: RA & southern Africa)
- 17h00 Snacks and drinks
- 18h00 Group dinner at Botanical Garden Restaurant (optional; own cost)

TO REGISTER

Prospective delegates are requested to register before 25 April by e-mailing Magriet van Wyk at MvWyk@csir.co.za or phoning her on 012 841 2238.

A registration fee of R 150.00 per person, payable on arrival, will be levied to cover costs.

Directions to SANBI (see map):

Driving north from Johannesburg on the N1, take the Lynnwood Road off-ramp. At the traffic lights, turn right to cross over the highway and then immediately turn left into Meiring Naude Road. Drive north past CSIR. At the T-junction with Cussonia Avenue (traffic lights), turn left. Approximately 150 metres on, turn right into the main entrance of the Botanic Gardens. Keep to the right (around traffic circle) to SANBI security gate. Continue to Education Centre.

Where to find us

