

CRC 990 PhD/Post-Doc Workshop

- Enhancing interdisciplinary understanding and collaboration amongst the PhDs&Post-Docs -

I. Background

According to the CRC website the “Collaborative Research Center aims at providing science-based knowledge on how to protect and enhance the ecological functions of tropical forests and agricultural transformation systems at a landscape scale, while improving human welfare. [...]The CRC scientific projects will analyze and compare a broad range of issues, including above and below ground biodiversity, soil fertility, water, nutrient and greenhouse gas fluxes, as well as economic, social, cultural and political aspects related to rainforest transformation. A particular focus will be on identifying synergies and trade-offs among and between the various ecological and socioeconomic functions, which is an important precondition for designing and implementing more sustainable systems (including biosphere reserves).”

Being part of an interdisciplinary research project like the CRC 990 on *Ecological and Socioeconomic Functions of Tropical Lowland Rainforest Transformation Systems* is a great opportunity and a challenge at the same time. Creating synthesis amongst the different disciplines and research topics can add benefits to the scientific world and inform policies. At the same time, understanding a diverse set of research questions across disciplines and their approach to answer questions requires time and open minds as well as a brain.

Even though interdisciplinary understanding is fostered through numerous meetings, colloquia, etc. there still seems to be potential to enhance a deeper understanding on the research conducted within the CRC.

II. Purpose and content of the workshop

In order to bridge the gap a CRC PhD/Post-Doc workshop will be conducted. The purpose of this workshop is to gain a deeper understanding on the work of sub-projects. This will enrich the personal horizon of everybody participating in the workshop while offering opportunities to identify further potential for collaborations amongst sub-projects.

III. Scope

The workshop will be conducted in July on three days. Every participant will present their own research in an informal, simple language accompanied by examples illustrating the research topic (see guidelines for further information). Sessions will be moderated by the CRC Post-Docs.

IV. Venue

The workshop will take place in the seminar room in the Sternwarte. Food and beverages will be provided.

It will be fun! Come and join!

Tentative schedule

10th July 2014, Day 1, Project Group A, Environmental processes

<i>Time</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Presentation</i>	<i>Moderation</i>
10.00-10.05	Opening Session		Alex/Siria
10.05-10.35	Interdisciplinary work – food for thought	Steffi	
10.35 – 11.05	A01	Siria	Ana
11.05 – 11.20	Coffee break		
11.20 – 11.50	A02	Afik, Niu, Alex	Ana
11.50 – 12.20	A03	Ana	Alex/Siria
12.20 – 13.20	Lunch break		
13.20 – 13.50	A04	Thomas	Ana
13.50 – 14.20	C02	Yvonne	Ana
14.20 – 14.45	Wrap up “game”		Ana/Malte
14.45– 15.00	Coffee break		
15.00 – 16.00	Open access and peer review systems	SUB	Ana
16.00 – 17.00	Question/Answer Session with Stefan Scheu, Barbara Wick, Wolfram Lorenz		Malte
17.30	Dinner at Kabale		

15th July 2014, Day 2, Project Group C, Human Dimensions

<i>Time</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Presentation</i>	<i>Moderation</i>
10.00 – 10.10	Opening Session		Mic
10.10 – 10.40	C01	Mary	Steffi
10.40 – 11.10	C02	Jonas	Steffi
11.10 – 11.40	C02	Rina	Steffi
11.40 – 11.55	Coffee break		

11.55 – 12.25	C03	Steffi	Mic
12.25 – 12.55	C06	Herr Moser	Steffi
12.55 – 13.25	C07	Mic	Steffi
13.25 – 14.25	Lunch break		
14.25 - 14.55	C07	Vijesh	Steffi
14.55 – 15.25	C08	Marcel	Steffi
15.25 – 15.40	Coffee break		
15.40 – 16.40	Wrap up “game”		Steffi/Mic
17.00	Dinner at Kabale		

21st July 2104, Day 3, Group B, Biota and ecosystem services

<i>Time</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Presentation</i>	<i>Moderation</i>
09.00 – 09.10	Opening Session		Anne
09.10 – 09.40	B01	Malte	Claudia
09.40 – 10.10	B01	Andrew	Claudia
10.10 – 10.40	B05	Dian	Claudia
10.40 – 10.55	Coffee break		
10.55 – 11.25	B08	Valentyna	Claudia
11.25 – 11.55	B09	Kevin	Claudia
11.55 – 12.25	B10	Claudia	Anne
12.25 – 13.25	Lunch break		
13.25 - 13.55	B11	Anne	Claudia
13.55 – 14.25	B12	Nicole	Claudia
14.25 – 14.55	C01	Tom	Claudia
14.55 – 15.10	Coffee break		
15.10 – 16.10	Wrap up “game”		Steffi/Mic

16.10 – 16.40	CRC Blog		Claudia
16.40 – 17.10	Interdisciplinary work – food for thought		Steffi
17.30	Dinner at Kabale		