

Human Dimensions of Environment (HDE) Update – hde.osu.edu

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**OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

Events

Harnessing Consumers & Communities to Help Meet U.S. Food Waste Reduction Goals - Friday, August 26, Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center, Columbus, OH. Conference and Webinar will bring together those interested in reducing and redirecting food waste in their own communities. The morning will be available to webinar and in-person participants and will feature national and local experts sharing emerging insights into current trends and best practices concerning how to help consumers and communities reduce food waste and divert food waste from landfills in support of the United States' first-ever national food waste reduction goals, which calls for a 50% reduction in food waste by 2030 by forming a broad and inclusive public-private partnership.

The afternoon will be available for in-person participants only and will feature ample opportunity for participants to discuss current or potential waste reduction or redirection programs in their own communities and organizations.

Participants will be able to ask questions from a panel of experts about these programs and discuss possible collaboration with researchers to help implement and/or evaluate community or organizational programs.

To register and for additional information on the agenda, visit:

<https://www.regonline.com/builder/site/default.aspx?EventID=1856847>

H.S.H. Prince Albert II of Monaco, a long-time supporter of global environmental and sustainability issues, will visit Ohio State on **Wednesday, August 31** and present a lecture focusing on climate change, biodiversity and access to clean water. Mershon Auditorium - Doors open at 2:30 pm, lecture begins at 3:30 pm. For more information visit: <http://www.oeo.osu.edu/%E2%80%8Bhsh-prince-albert-ii-of-monaco-to-address-sustainability-and-the-environment.html>

Environmental Professionals Network Breakfast – September 15, 2016 - Eco-Labels, Certifications, Green Advertising – How Trustworthy Are Green Claims?
Learn more and register: <http://epn.osu.edu/events/epn-breakfast-club-september-2016>

Registration is open for **Understanding Algal Blooms: State of the Science Conference, September 15, 2016** – This conference will highlight current scientific knowledge about algal blooms, their causes, and best management practices to prevent them. Details and registration available here -

<http://ohioseagrant.osu.edu/news/calendar/2016/09/15/o47km/understanding-algal-blooms>

[Center for Urban and Regional Analysis \(CURA\) presents, "Street Smart: The Rise of Cities and the Fall of Cars"](#) with Sam Schwartz, CEO of Sam Schwartz Engineering on **Tuesday, September 20, 2016** - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm at the Wexner Center Film/Video Theater, 1871 N. High Street, Columbus, OH 43210.

Funding

Undergraduate Decision Sciences Grants - Small research grants for undergraduates, up to \$1800 - no deadline -Details and instructions are available at <https://decisionsciences.osu.edu/small-research-grants-undergraduates>

Small Research Grants for Faculty and Graduate Students – Next Deadline is October 15, 2016 Small grants of up to \$3000 are available to support Decision Sciences research at Ohio State. The goal of these competitive grants is to foster new **Decision Sciences** research activity and collaboration — Details and instructions are available at <https://decisionsciences.osu.edu/small-research-grants-faculty-and-graduate-students>

****OPPORTUNITIES**

University of Maryland's [National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center \(SESYNC\)](#) has a wide variety of opportunities available including the following (view their website for additional opportunities):

- **Graduate Pursuits.** The Graduate Pursuit program presents a unique opportunity for graduate students interested in conducting team-based, socio-environmental synthesis research as they pursue doctoral degrees in social, natural, and computational fields. **Deadline to apply is August 26.** For more information, please visit: <https://www.sesync.org/opportunities/synthesis-research-for-graduate-students-2017>
- **Propose a Pursuit.** The National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center (SESYNC) invites proposals for collaborative team-based research (Pursuits) that synthesize existing data, methods, theories, and tools to address a pressing socio-environmental problem. Deadline is October 7, 2016. For more information visit: <http://www.sesync.org/opportunities/propose-a-pursuit>

[6th Annual Sustainability Psychology Preconference at the 2017 Society For Personality and Social Psychology Annual Convention, San Antonio, TX.](#) To learn more about the Call for Submissions for Blitz Talks and Submissions and how to register, visit: <http://meeting.spssp.org/preconferences/sustainability>

Save the Date! January 24-26, 2017 - National Conference and Global Forum on Science, Policy, and the Environment, Washington, DC - <http://www.ncseonline.org/national-conference> (early September the program will be released).

****FUNDING**

[Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Agriculture and Natural Resources Science for](#)

[Climate Variability and Change Challenge Area](#), Sponsor: USDA-NIFA, Deadline: Letter of Intent due September 14, 2016

****NEWS**

[Documenting the risk of invasive species worldwide](#) – University of Massachusetts at Amherst Public Release (via AAA EurekAlert) – August 24, 2016

[Colorado Towns Work to Preserve a Diminishing Resource: Darkness](#) – The New York Times – August 12, 2016.

****JOBS**

[Asst Prof - Environmental Policy](#) - Department of Environmental Studies - Amherst College (USA)

[Asst Prof of Geography: Climate Change and Society](#) – University of Denver (USA)

[Post-doc –National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis \(NCEAS\) – University of California, Santa Barbara \(USA\)](#) – working on a new project, the State of Alaska's Salmon and People (SASAP).

[Professional Research Asst - Climate Assessment Specialist - Western Water Assessment - Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Science](#) - University of Colorado Boulder (USA)

[\(3\) PhD Opportunities at Utah State University Ecology Center- Logan, UT \(USA\)](#) -

- PhD in Environment and Society - INFEWS Project: Reconstructing water use and the Evolution of Virtual Water Networks
- PhD in Environment and Society - Social-Ecological Networks and Agent Based Modelling
- PhD in Environment and Society - Cognitive and Social Science in Managing Social-Ecological Systems