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### What's new at IIED: June 2006

#### Director's Report

The world is now more urban than rural, say the statisticians. And in the next 20 years, more than 90% of growth in the world's population will take place in the cities of the developing world. So the UN Habitat conference in Vancouver in June will be a very timely event to rethink options for making urban growth more friendly to poor people, and to the environment. We're holding a brainstorming session with partners in Vancouver, and also reflecting on climate change and cities - what will be likely impacts, and how to design cities in ways that greatly reduce their carbon footprints.

We will be bringing you news of this and more in our new regular IIED e-bulletin.

**Camilla Toulmin, Director, IIED**

#### News and updates

For more information on IIED research visit: [www.iied.org/research.html](http://www.iied.org/research.html)

**Climate Change:** During the UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies Meeting in Bonn, IIED hosted a Capacity strengthening in the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) for Adaptation to Climate Change (CLACC) team meeting. This was to discuss forthcoming workshops on health and climate change (funded by DFID). Over the next few months, each CLACC fellow will hold a workshop in their own country. The next phase of CLACC work (funded by Sida) will include building NGO coalitions in each CLACC country, to involve development NGOs at the local level in climate change issues.

See: [www.iied.org/CC/themes/capacity.html](http://www.iied.org/CC/themes/capacity.html)

**Human Settlements:** The Human Settlements Programme is currently working with partners on a programme of events and materials for the World Urban Forum III in Vancouver for the week of June 19. Topics range from urban poverty to cities and climate change (an event co-organised with the Climate Change Group), and we are involved in the full range of events, from dialogues to roundtables to networking events.

For more information about WUF III read our WUF III online newsletter at:

[www.iied.org/HS/index.html](http://www.iied.org/HS/index.html) - or visit the official conference site at:

[www.unhabitat.org/wuf/2006/default.asp](http://www.unhabitat.org/wuf/2006/default.asp)

*Environment and Urbanization* April 2006: *Urban Ecologies*

With over half the world's population living in urban areas, the need for more ecologically sustainable urban centres is obvious. This and other issues related to ecological urbanization are explored in detail in the April 2006 issue of IIED's journal *Environment and Urbanization*. See: [www.iied.org/HS/index.html](http://www.iied.org/HS/index.html)

**Governance:** As an active member of the Millennium Development Goals partnership, IIED has launched a programme of collaborative research, networking and advocacy

on the MDGs. We aim to identify policies and practices that enhance local development processes - and to increase civil society influence on key debates and policy processes. See: [www.iied.org/Gov/mdgs/index.html](http://www.iied.org/Gov/mdgs/index.html)

**Natural Resources:** Following the recent Africa Regional Advisory Panel meeting in Ghana in May, the NR Group is honing its strategic objectives. Taking on board the mostly positive feedback, the NR Group is now discussing themes in a group strategy day. See: [www.iied.org/NR/index.html](http://www.iied.org/NR/index.html)

*Forest Governance Learning Group (FGLG) Phase II work plans*

Major impetus has been given to a second phase of the FGLG with agreement from the EC to support the work from 2005 to 2009. The forest governance learning group works in Africa and Asia to exchange learning and develop ideas on forest governance - and helps to make them work for practical, just and sustainable forest use. It involves partners from Cameroon, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Niger, South Africa, and Uganda. See: [www.iied.org/NR/forestry/projects/forest.html](http://www.iied.org/NR/forestry/projects/forest.html)

*IIED at COP 8 on Biological Diversity, Curitiba, Brazil in March*

IIED co-hosted two side events on Protected Areas and Equity, with Care International and TILCEPA, and launched the new Poverty and Conservation Learning Group website: [www.povertyandconservation.info](http://www.povertyandconservation.info) and BioSoc, a new email bulletin service which highlights research on biodiversity and society, poverty and conservation. Available in French, Spanish, and English. To subscribe email: [BioSoc@iied.org](mailto:BioSoc@iied.org)

*IIED at the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, New York, May 2006*

The UNPFII took place in New York, from 15-26 May 2006. The focal theme this year was the MDGs and indigenous peoples. See the statement made jointly by IIED, ANDES (Peru) and Call of the Earth: [www.iied.org/NR/agbioliv/documents/Forum](http://www.iied.org/NR/agbioliv/documents/Forum)

**Sustainable Markets:** As part of our project on Small Scale Producers and Private Agrifoods Standards, James MacGregor visited Kenya and Tanzania with DFID and NRI colleagues to visit smallholder outgrowers schemes, and to run a workshop on the economics of private standards. Email [James.Macgregor@iied.org](mailto:James.Macgregor@iied.org) for further information.

Business and Sustainable Development Programme Director Halina Ward has recently returned from the second of two scoping visits to Kazakhstan. Halina is investigating the potential for a new project that aims to strengthen the sustainable development contribution of oil and gas deals. Contact: [Halina.Ward@iied.org](mailto:Halina.Ward@iied.org)

## Meetings and Events

IIED will be hosting or attending these forthcoming events. Look out for us there! See links or contact names for further information. General Email: [info@iied.org](mailto:info@iied.org)

### JUNE 2006

8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>: Regoverning Markets. Montpellier and Ahmedabad.  
Contact: [Bill.Vorley@iied.org](mailto:Bill.Vorley@iied.org) or see: [www.regoverningmarkets.org](http://www.regoverningmarkets.org)

19<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>: World Urban Forum III. Vancouver, Canada. IIED and partners will be hosting various networking events - visit IIED's stand no. 1215 for more information. Contact: [David.Satterthwaite@iied.org](mailto:David.Satterthwaite@iied.org) and [Gordon.McGranahan@iied.org](mailto:Gordon.McGranahan@iied.org), Human Settlements Group. [Saleemul.Huq@iied.org](mailto:Saleemul.Huq@iied.org), Climate Change Group. See also [www.unhabitat.org/wuf/2006/default.asp](http://www.unhabitat.org/wuf/2006/default.asp) or [www.wuf3-fum3.ca/en/home.shtml](http://www.wuf3-fum3.ca/en/home.shtml)

19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>: Future of Drylands Conference: International Scientific Conference on Desertification and Drylands Research. Tunis. See: [www.unesco.org/mab/ecosyst/futureDrylands.shtml](http://www.unesco.org/mab/ecosyst/futureDrylands.shtml)

21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>: CIVICUS World Congress. Glasgow, UK. See: [www.civicusassembly.org](http://www.civicusassembly.org)

26<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>: Mali - a series of high-level policy dialogues and village-level workshops to discuss recommendations of the 'Citizens' Jury on GMOs and the Future of Farming in Mali'. Contact: [Michel.Pimbert@iied.org](mailto:Michel.Pimbert@iied.org)  
See: [www.iied.org/NR/agbioliv/ag\\_liv\\_projects/verdict.html](http://www.iied.org/NR/agbioliv/ag_liv_projects/verdict.html)

27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>: ILRI Pastoralism and Poverty Reduction. Nairobi, Kenya. Contact: [Ced.Hesse@iied.org](mailto:Ced.Hesse@iied.org) - see: [www.ilri.org/default.asp](http://www.ilri.org/default.asp)

13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>: Forest Investment Forum - southern and eastern Africa. South Africa. Contact: [James.Mayers@iied.org](mailto:James.Mayers@iied.org)

19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>: The Forest Dialogue Scoping Dialogue on Poverty. South Africa. Contact: [Steve.Bass@iied.org](mailto:Steve.Bass@iied.org) or [James.Mayers@iied.org](mailto:James.Mayers@iied.org)  
See: <http://research.yale.edu/gisf/tfd/index.html>

29<sup>th</sup>: EC FLEGT (Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade) linked projects coordination meeting. Brussels. Contact: [James.Mayers@iied.org](mailto:James.Mayers@iied.org)  
[http://ec.europa.eu/comm/development/body/theme/forest/initiative/briefing\\_sheets\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/comm/development/body/theme/forest/initiative/briefing_sheets_en.htm)

## **JULY 2006**

6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>: Sustainable Development conference: Managing the Transition, Experience of Emerging Markets and the UK (Defra). Wilton Park, UK.  
See: [www.wiltonpark.org.uk/themes/environment/conference.aspx?confref=WPS06/13](http://www.wiltonpark.org.uk/themes/environment/conference.aspx?confref=WPS06/13)

11<sup>th</sup>: A gathering to celebrate the life and work of Richard Sandbrook OBE, former Director of IIED. Lindley Hall, London. The celebration will begin at 5pm, with an hour or so of stories and testimony from family, friends and colleagues, before having drinks and canapés and an opportunity to talk to others who knew Richard. Please be sure to let us know whether you will be able to join us by contacting [clare.vannakorn@iied.org](mailto:clare.vannakorn@iied.org), Tel: +44 20 7388 2117.

15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>: G8. St Petersburg. The official website for the 2006 G8: <http://en.g8russia.ru/>

23<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>: ISA World Congress of Sociology Conference. Session on Food Systems. Durban, South Africa. Contact: [Bill.Vorley@iied.org](mailto:Bill.Vorley@iied.org)  
See: [www.ucm.es/info/isa/congress2006/rc/rc23\\_durban.htm](http://www.ucm.es/info/isa/congress2006/rc/rc23_durban.htm)

## **Recent events in which IIED participated**

22<sup>nd</sup> May: Beyond CSR - Business, Poverty, and Social Justice. Halina Ward, Sustainable Markets Group.  
[www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/csgr/activitiesnews/workshops/forthcoming/csr\\_workshop/](http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/csgr/activitiesnews/workshops/forthcoming/csr_workshop/)

20<sup>th</sup> May: OGM - expériences de démocratie délibérative au Mali. Radio France Culture interview with Michel Pimbert, Natural Resources Group. Contact: [Michel.Pimbert@iied.org](mailto:Michel.Pimbert@iied.org)  
Listen online: [www.radiofrance.fr/chaines/france-culture2/emissions/terre\\_a\\_terre/index.php](http://www.radiofrance.fr/chaines/france-culture2/emissions/terre_a_terre/index.php)

3<sup>rd</sup> June: Climate Conference and Planning Meeting. London School of Economics, London. Contact: [Saleemul.huq@iied.org](mailto:Saleemul.huq@iied.org)

2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> June: WIDE's 2006 Annual Conference, 'What "state" are we in? Women's lives, changing states, expanding markets'. KARAT Coalition, Warsaw, Poland. Presentation: 'Reflections on gender and markets'. Contact: [Nazneen.Kanji@iied.org](mailto:Nazneen.Kanji@iied.org).  
See: [www.karat.org/wide\\_conference.html](http://www.karat.org/wide_conference.html)

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Spanish sister journal to *E&U*. Subscriptions and ordering information:

[www.ingentaconnect.com/content/iieal/meda](http://www.ingentaconnect.com/content/iieal/meda)

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### RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Agroecology and the Struggle for Food Sovereignty in the Americas

[www.iied.org/pubs/display.php?o=14506IIED](http://www.iied.org/pubs/display.php?o=14506IIED)

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