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2. Kyoto - 3rd World Water Forum

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The world's governments agreed at the Millennium Summit to halve the number of people who lack access to safe water, mainly in the world's cities, by 2015. With rapidly growing urban populations the challenge is immense. This publication is a comprehensive and authoritative assessment of the problems and how they can be addressed. David Satterthwaite and Gordon McGranahan of IIED prepared the report for Habitat, and were the main consultants and principle resource people with the considerable help of Hannah Reid.

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Clean Water, Safe Sanitation: An agenda for the Kyoto World Water Forum and Beyond

Edited by David Mephram, Senior Research Fellow at the Institute for

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Water and the Least Developed Countries

Saleemul Huq, Hannah Reid and Laurel Murray

The Least Developed Countries (LDCs) are a group of 49 of the world's poorest countries. Despite international efforts, the gap between LDCs and other developing countries appears to be widening. Water is one key area of concern, and this paper looks at issues such as water quantity, quality, use and management with regards to LDCs.

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Drawers of Water

John Thompson, Ina T. Porras, James K. Tumwine, Mark R. Mujwahuzi, Munguit Katui-Katua, Nick Johnstone, and Libby Wood

ISBN 1 904035 98 1, US\$22.00/£15.00, 126pp

This book presents the findings of the 30-year reassessment of the landmark Drawers of Water study by Gilbert F White, David J Bradley and Anne U White. Findings come from 34 sites in Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda, and the overview charts the trends and changes that have occurred in these 30 years, and their implications for water policy and practice.

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3. State versus Participation: Natural Resources Management in Europe

Andréa Finger-Stich and Matthias Finger

ISBN 1 84369 242 2, US\$22.50/£15, 60pp

Volume II in the Institutionalising Participation Series. The participation of the public, local communities, indigenous peoples, and various other stakeholders in natural resources policymaking, planning and/or management has been increasingly promoted in international and national policies. This book analyses and discusses how participation does - or does not - occur in the management of forest and water resources at various institutional levels in European contexts. More precisely, the

authors critically analyse how the state has, over time, strengthened its own development interests by removing decisions over the management of natural resources from local users and communities' hands and today tends to instrumentalise peoples' participation for its own legitimacy purposes. This evolution is considered in light of two more recent trends, namely the globalisation of economic interests and the demands for democratisation, decentralisation, and accountability. The authors highlight the strategies various state agencies use to control participation in decision-making processes relating to forest and water resource management.

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4. Populations Locales et Conservation de la Nature: Le Léopard serait-il en train de Muer?

Sally Jeanrenaud

Volume I in the Institutionalising Participation Series is now available in French as a pdf. Whereas local people were once considered a threat to nature and were often removed from protected areas, many international and national conservation organisations now promote a wide range of people-oriented conservation approaches. Despite these changes, this paper suggests that we should be cautious about claiming that 'participation' has been mainstreamed in global conservation programmes. Drawing mainly on case studies from the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF), the author suggests that organisational structures, fundraising imperatives, dominant conservation narratives, and western environmental values all work against the 'leopard changing its spots'.

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5. Sustaining Local Food Systems

<http://www.iied.org/sarl/research/projects/t5proj01.html>

The Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) call for the 'Mobilisation of farming communities, including indigenous and local communities, for the development, maintenance and use of their knowledge and practices in the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity in the agricultural sector' and encourage countries 'to set up and maintain local level forums for farmers, researchers, extension workers and other stakeholders to evolve genuine partnerships'.

The Sustaining Local Food Systems, Agricultural Biodiversity and Livelihoods project aims to analyse how and under what conditions decentralised governance, [farmer participation](#), and capacity building can promote the adaptive management of agricultural biodiversity in the context of [local food systems and livelihoods](#).

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