

3rd Annual ESCom Conference 20-21st April 2016

Programme

On 20th April the ESCom Conference welcomes an exciting diversity of speakers to share their experience of ecosystem services impact alongside interactive workshop sessions.

10.30-11.00	5.30	Coffee from 10.00	
10.30	10.35	Welcome, and ESCom progress - Marc Metzger	
10.35	10.50	When do collaborations work well? - Interactive session with Osbert Lancaster	Plenary
10.50	11.20	How can ES research make an impact? - Mark Reed	Keynote
11.20	11.50	First steps in using the ES framework in Perth and Kinross Council - Graham Esson	Keynote
11.50	12.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan Dick, Centre for Ecology and Hydrology. 'Evaluating the practical utility of ecosystem services tools' • Peter Philips, Collingwood Environmental Planning. 'Land use policy evaluation and the Scottish Land Use Strategy' • Louise Bond, SEPA. 'Strathard project: An ecosystems services approach in practice' • Marc Metzger, University of Edinburgh. 'Oppla, where the outputs of research can achieve greater impact' • Christine Johnston, National Biodiversity Network. 'Sharing biodiversity data through the National biodiversity Network' • Kirsty Blackstock, James Hutton Institute. 'Integrated and sustainable management of natural assets (2016-2021): main areas of impact' 	5 minute Flashtalks

12.30	1.30	Lunch with Posters	
1.30	2.15	<p style="text-align: center;">Workshop Sessions 1: Parallel workshops</p> <p>The National Trust sustainable land management options tool. Marie Castellazzi and Alessandro Gimona, James Hutton Institute. This workshop will illustrate the alpha version of a new ARCGIS tool, developed for the National Trust, to advise on landscape change options, aimed at improving the provision of ecosystem services.</p> <p>Improving access to analytical tools for ecosystem services and natural capital Jessica Neumann and Matt Smith on behalf of the Ecosystems Knowledge Network. In the last ten years, a wide range of analytical tools has emerged to help process information about ecosystem services and natural capital. This session will provide an overview of the 12 tools reviewed by the Network, enabling identification of priorities for new tools as well as opportunities for the research community in Scotland to compare and contrast their capabilities.</p> <p>Comparing methods for delivering ecosystem service analysis Tom Hartley, Atmos Consulting This workshop aims to discuss the methods by which the results of ecosystem services analysis are delivered and utilised. Much thought is given to the methods used to create ecosystem service layers, but we want to discuss how best to make these resources available to the people who can make use of them once they are produced. We will present one approach – an interactive mapping tool developed for the Northumberland Lowlands and Coast Local Nature Partnership, along with a number of alternative methods and then open the floor to discussion on what people want from a delivery tool, the ways they would intend to use it in their roles and what constraints they might face. More info http://ow.ly/1owLEj</p>	Workshop

2.25	3.10	<p style="text-align: center;">Workshop Session 2: Parallel workshops</p> <p>Bonkers but Good– Introducing the STREAMLINE interview format Aster de Vries Lentsch, University of Edinburgh STREAMLINE is a new format for semi-structured, one-on-one interviews. Taking user experience as a starting point, STREAMLINE's open and inter-active format provides an engaging platform where people can express not only what they want or think, but also why they feel that way, providing rich data and insight in the motivations behind their answers. At the moment we're using it in the Inner Forth area for socio-cultural valuations of Ecosystem Services, with hopes of expanding its application to different geographic areas and theoretical domains. http://www.streamline-research.com</p> <p>The National Trust sustainable land management options tool. Marie Castellazzi and Alessandro Gimona, James Hutton Institute. This workshop will illustrate the alpha version of a new ARCGIS tool, developed for the National Trust, to advise on landscape change options, aimed at improving the provision of ecosystem services.</p> <p>Comparing methods for delivering ecosystem service analysis Tom Hartley, Atmos Consulting This workshop aims to discuss the methods by which the results of ecosystem services analysis are delivered and utilised. Much thought is given to the methods used to create ecosystem service layers, but we want to discuss how best to make these resources available to the people who can make use of them once they are produced. We will present one approach – an interactive mapping tool developed for the Northumberland Lowlands and Coast Local Nature Partnership, along with a number of alternative methods and then open the floor to discussion on what people want from a delivery tool, the ways they would intend to use it in their roles and what constraints they might face. More info http://ow.ly/1owLEj</p>	Workshop
3.10	3.30	Coffee	
3.30	4.00	What have we learned? Report back	Plenary
4.00	4.30	Conditions required for good collaborations – interactive session facilitated by Osbert Lancaster	Plenary
4.30	4.50	Reflections with Mark Reed	Plenary
4.50	5.05	RSPB Inner Forth and field trip: David Anderson	Plenary
5.05	5.25	Community Announcements	Plenary
5.25	5.30	Closing: Marc Metzger	Plenary
5.30	7.00	Networking Drinks reception courtesy of SEPA	

On 21st April the ECom Fieldtrip with David Anderson, RSPB takes participants to the Inner Forth.

The landscape of the Inner Forth plays host to a fantastic range of wildlife and heritage. The vast mudflats of the river hold internationally important populations of wintering wildfowl and waders, while on the banks of the river oil refineries and power stations rise up as a testament to the areas industrial heritage. It is also however a landscape that is under pressure, new developments and climate change threaten the very habitats that give nature a home in the local area, while the local heritage is often overlooked and forgotten.

This field trip will explore this landscape and demonstrate how two closely related projects, the RSPB Futurescape and the Inner Forth Landscape Initiative, are working to reveal and enhance the natural and cultural environment of the Inner Forth, and bring multiple benefits to the people and wildlife of the area. You will meet staff from different organisations that are leading projects and see the strong partnerships that are delivering work on a landscape scale throughout the Inner Forth.

£15 registration fee, participants should bring own lunch

http://www.epay.ed.ac.uk/browse/extra_info.asp?compid=1&modid=1&deptid=24&catid=370&prodid=2015

09.00-16.30	Fieldtrip to Inner Forth
09.00	BUS DEPARTS
16.30	BUS RETURNS

