



## August 2013

#### Dear SCORAI,

In the midst of what we hope is a restful and productive summer, we encourage you to peruse the new publications, upcoming events, and other great resources featured in this month's newsletter. Also, don't miss the openings at UNEP in Paris and at SPRU in the UK, for those in the market for new and exciting opportunities.

As always, we encourage you to send us information about your new publications and sustainable consumption-related activities. Help us get the word out about your good works!

All the best, Kate & Debbie & Maurie

## New video from Climate, Mind & Behavior Conference

SCORAl's own Maurie Cohen recently delivered a lecture at the Garrison Institute's Climate, Mind, and Behavior Conference, which is now available <u>online</u>.

## A New Guide to Going Local

The Center for the New American Dream has just released a new <u>Guide to Going Local</u>. This resource is intended to help strengthen local economies around the country and provides a wealth of practical advice and tools for building local community.

## New journal launched: Challenges in Sustainability

The new journal <u>Challenges in Sustainability</u> whose new Editor-in-Chief is Dr. Jürgen Kropp has recently published its <u>inaugural issue</u>. This international, open access, academic, interdisciplinary journal, a will provide a new space to discuss environmental, social and economic aspects of our society,

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#### **Publications of Interest**



McDonough, William and Michael Braungart. <u>The Upcycle:</u> <u>beyond sustainability - designing for abundance</u>. North Point Press. 2013.

Moore, Steven A. and Barbara Wilson. 2014. <u>Questioning</u> <u>Architectural Judgment: The Problem with Codes in the United States</u>. Routledge.

Wangel, J., Gustafsson, S., Svane, Ö. 2013. "Goal-based socio-technical scenarios: greening the mobility practices in the Stockholm City District of Bromma, Sweden." Futures 47: 79-92.

## **Upcoming Conferences & Workshops**

The Virtual Community on Sustainability and Consumption will be held at the 10th Biennial Conference on Environmental Psychology in Magdeburg, Germany, September 22-25, 2013. The theme is "the role of the individual in the transformation of energy systems". Read more at this link.

Linking Policy and Science for Sustainable Innovation, Brussels, 10-11 October 2013. In the 3rd EU Dialogue on linking SCP and Growth Debates, part of the EU project RESPONDER, a selected group of policy makers and researchers will come together to discuss areas of contention between sustainable consumption and economic growth from the perspective of innovation.

Radical Emissions Reduction Conference will be held at the Royal Society, London on 10-11 December 2013. This conference will bring together academics and practitioners, engineers and economists, policy-makers and civil society to detail evidenced-based opportunities for delivering urgent and deep reductions in emissions of greenhouse gases.

Capitalist Crises, Critique of Growth and the Perspectives for a Post-Growth Society, the theme of the next European Sociological Association conference, will be held in Turin, August 28-31 2013.

The 2nd International Conference on ICT for Sustainability (ICT4S) conference hosted by the Centre for Sustainable Communications and VU University Amsterdam will be held in Stockholm, Sweden, 24-26 of August 2014. The theme of the

2014 conference is ICT and transformational change. ICT for sustainability is about utilizing the transformational power of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) for making our world more sustainable: saving energy and material resources by creating more value from less physical input, increasing quality of life for ever more people without compromising future generations' ability to meet their needs.

## **Job Opportunities**

A new opportunity has opened up at UNEP's Division of Technology, Industry and Economics in Paris in the Sustainable Consumption and Production Branch. The Programme Officer will be responsible for the coordination of the Consumer Information programme (e.g. certification, ecolabelling, voluntary standards) in synergy with the other activities of the Branch and of the Division in this area. Interested candidates should apply as soon as possible by sending the cover letter and filled in PHP (attached) to the following email: recruitment.dtie@unep.org. The start date is also as soon as possible.

Two opportunities at Science and Technology Policy Research (SPRU) at the University of Sussex, UK

### 1) Professor of energy policy

2) Research Fellow post in the governance of infrastructure transitions as part of the Infrastructure Transitions Research Consortium. It is 18 months fixed term (though may be extended). The successful candidate will work on the policy and governance issues associated with infrastructure interdependencies through historical case studies and contemporary policy analysis.

# Oregon creates more comprehensive GHG assessment methodology

Oregon has pioneered a new and more comprehensive approach to assessing GHG emissions in order to better track progress toward the state's goals. This new approach improves and addresses gaps in traditional methods of accounting for emissions, and expands understanding of how Oregonians contribute to global climate change.

The Oregon Departments of Environmethal Quality, Energy & Transportation developed a comprehensive inventory of emissions that includes in-state emissions, worldwide emissions associated with Oregonians' consumption, and a broad estimate of emissions associated with travel and freight serving Oregon's economy in the recently published inventory of Oregon's emissions.

Oregon is perhaps the first state to publish a GHG inventory using more than one accounting perspective. This combined inventory approach offers greater awareness of where emissions come from. Oregon is also one of the first states to estimate global emissions resulting from local consumption.

Visit DEQ's website to view the full report.

#### **New SCORAI Affiliates**

A warm welcome to the following SCORAI affiliates joining us who bring our new total to 563!

Christine Beling Bipul Kumar
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