

Welcome to the DNC2015 Newsletter!

We are pleased to introduce to you the second issue of the DNC Newsletter. In the DNC Newsletter, you can find the latest news on the Dresden Nexus Conference 2015. In this issue, we provide information about enrolment, keynote speakers, position papers, conference venue and accommodation. We hope you find this newsletter interesting and informative, and we encourage you to disseminate the information on DNC2015 within your networks!

What's New

Enrolment still open for DNC2015

If you have not already done so, we encourage you to enrol as early as possible, especially those who may require invitation letters for a visa application. Deadline to enrol is **15 February**.

Enrol now at <http://www.dresden-nexus-conference.org/enrolment.html>!

Keynote speakers announced!

We are pleased to announce the following keynote speakers will be joining us at DNC2015:



Elena Manaenkova

Assistant Secretary-General of the World Meteorological Organization and former Director of Cabinet of the Secretary-General and External Relations Department (Day 1: Climate Change)



Joseph Alcamo

Executive Director of the Center for Environmental Systems Research, Professor of Environmental Systems Science and Engineering at the University of Kassel, Germany, and former Chief Scientist of the United Nations Environment Programme (Day 1: Climate Change)



Saeed Nairizi

President of the International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage (Day 2: Urbanization)



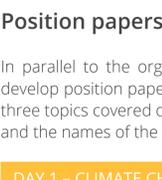
William Rees

Professor Emeritus of the University of British Columbia's School of Community and Regional Planning, originator of 'ecological footprint analysis', and founding member and former president of the Canadian Society for Ecological Economics (Day 2: Urbanization)



Michael Herrmann

Adviser on Population and Economics and Manager of the Innovation Fund at the United Nations Population Fund and member of the United Nations' Lead Economist Network and the Global Agenda Council of the World Economic Forum (Day 3: Population Growth)



László Miklós

Head of the UNESCO-Chair for Sustainable Development and Ecological Awareness at the Technical University in Slovakia, Senior Scientist at the Institute of Landscape Ecology of the SAS, Bratislava and former Minister of the Environment of the Slovak Republic (Day 3: Population Growth)



To learn more about the DNC2015 keynote speakers, please visit:

<http://www.dresden-nexus-conference.org/keynote-speakers.html>.

Position papers

In parallel to the organizational activities of DNC2015, UNU-FLORES has arranged to develop position papers to help build and consolidate the background knowledge of the three topics covered during the conference. Please see below for the titles of the papers and the names of the authors.

DAY 1 - CLIMATE CHANGE	
NAME	TITLE OF THE POSITION PAPER
Dr. Richard Lawford	Adapting to Climate Change: and the role of science and data in responding to opportunities and challenges in the Water-Soil-Waste Nexus
Prof. Zbigniew Kundzewicz	Climate change impacts and adaptation in water and land context
Prof. Brian Moss	Climate change, profligacy, poverty and destruction: all things are connected

DAY 2 - URBANIZATION	
NAME	TITLE OF THE POSITION PAPER
Prof. Robert Costanza	A Nexus Approach to Urban and Regional Planning Using the Four Capital Model
Prof. Christopher Scott	The Urban Water-Energy Nexus: Drivers and Responses to Global Change in the 'Urban Century'

DAY 3 - POPULATION GROWTH AND THE INCREASING DEMAND FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES	
NAME	TITLE OF THE POSITION PAPER
Prof. Johan Bouma	Implications of the Nexus approach when assessing water and soil quality as a function of solid and liquid waste management
Prof. Rabi Mohtar	Bridging the Water and Food Gap: The Role of the Water-Energy-Food Nexus
Prof. Winfried Blum	Role of soils for satisfying global demands for food and natural resources
Mr. Michael Herrmann	People, prosperity and the planet

More details about the position papers will be made available in next month's DNC Newsletter!

Venue of DNC2015

The conference will be held at the **Deutsches Hygiene-Museum** located near the historical city centre of Dresden.



(source: <http://www.dhmd.de/>)

Accommodation

For your convenience, we have pre-reserved a limited number of hotel rooms in Dresden for the duration of the conference (24-28 March). Each of the hotels is located in or near the historical city centre of Dresden, with good public transit access to the conference venue. Details about the hotels and rates can be found at:

<http://www.dresden-nexus-conference.org/accommodation.html>.

Background

As a follow up to the kick-off workshop on "Advancing a Nexus Approach to the Sustainable Management of Water, Soil and Waste", the first of the biennial Dresden Nexus conferences (DNC) will take place from 25-27 March 2015. The DNC2015 will assemble UN organizations, UNU institutes, member states, German ministries, national and international organizations as well as individual researchers and NGOs from around the world under the theme "Global Change, Sustainable Development Goals and the Nexus Approach".

The DNC2015 will present three thematic topics over the course of three days; each day will deal with one aspect of global change: climate, urbanization and population growth. It will be discussed how the integrated management of environmental resources guided by nexus approach may help to achieve the potential targets of the post-2015 agenda.

IMPORTANT DATES

15 February 2015 Deadline for conference enrolment
 25 - 27 March 2015 Conference

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