March 22
Jan Börner new Robert Bosch Junior Professor at ZEF

Jan Börner, a former ZEF student, was inaugurated as a Robert Bosch Junior Professor at the University of Bonn. He is going to start his five-year research on the sustainable use of tropical rain forests in Brazil at ZEF in August 2012. »Video

March 21
Experts present report on resilience in African agriculture to policy makers

The Montpellier Panel presented its new report ‘Growth with Resilience: Opportunities in African Agriculture’. ZEF-Director Joachim von Braun is one of the 10 members of the experts panel. »More

February 22
ZEF Annual Report 2011 released

ZEF’s annual report informs about last year’s research and capacity building activities with a focus on science policy for development. A copy of the Annual Report can be ordered from ZEF (presse.zef@uni-bonn.de) or downloaded from the ZEF website. »More

February 10
Political agreement between African and German WASCAL partners signed in Lomé

Partners within the West African Science Service Center on Climate Change and Adapted Land Use (WASCAL) project from 10 West African states and Germany have moved a crucial step forwards by signing a political agreement in Lomé, Togo, on February 12. »More

January 19
ZEF again among global most important Think Tanks in 2011 ranking

ZEF has been listed for the third year in succession in the “Global Go To Think Tanks” report 2011. The Germany-based development research institute is at place 10 of the global Top Thirty Science and Technology Think Tanks and at place 15 of the global Best University Affiliated Think Tanks. »More

January 18-20
Civil society in Vietnam and Cambodia: Workshop at ZEF

ZEF organized an international workshop on „Civil society in Vietnam and Cambodia: Concepts and discourses - diversity in practice“. Around 20 scholars discussed current developments in both countries related to civil society and planned the co-authoring of a book comprising the latest insights and research on the region. »Video
December 5
Conrad Schetter gave a number of interviews on Afghanistan conference

Afghanistan expert Conrad Schetter expressed scepticism about the outcome of the Afghanistan conference that took place in Bonn. „Afghanistan faces many challenges, especially after envisaged withdrawal of international troops in 2014“, says Schetter. »Video

January 20-21
ZEF hosted second international workshop on „Comparative Water Studies“

ZEF hosted the second international workshop on „Comparative Water Studies“ at ZEF from January 20-21. This workshop is the second in a series, following the first one held in London from October 24-25, 2011. »More

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:: Doctoral defenses ::

March 26
Grace Villamor (Philippines)
„Flexibility of multi-agent system models for rubber agroforest landscapes and social response to emerging reward mechanisms for ecosystem services in Sumatra, Indonesia“

February 21
Juliet Akello (Uganda)
„Biodiversity of fungal endophytes associated with maize, sorghum and napier grass and the influence of biopriming on resistance to leaf mining, stem boring and sap sucking insect pests“

Stephen Mutie Wambua (Kenya)
„Household energy consumption and dependency on common pool forest resources: The case of Kakamega forest, Western Kenya“

January 11
Andreas Wilde (Germany)
„What is beyond the river? Power, authority and social order in eighteenth- and nineteenth-century Transoxania“

December 23
Sewmehon Demissie Tegegne (Ethiopia)
„Livestock water productivity (LWP) improvement in the mixed crop-livestock system of Ethiopian highlands, Amhara region: A gendered sustainable livelihood approach to target LWP interventions for rural poverty reduction“

December 15
Tilaye Teklewold Deneke (Ethiopia)
„Water governance in Amhara region of Ethiopia: An institutional analysis“

December 9
Hafiz Boboyorov (Tajikistan)
„Kinship and Islam: The role of collective identities in shaping institutional order of patronage in Southern Tajikistan“

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April 26, 7 - 9 p.m., right conference room
Reading: „Das Land der Franken“
The German-Iranian author Navid Kermani will read from his book „Dein Name“, a German-Iranian family saga. This event is being organized in cooperation with the German-Iranian-Society and will be held in German. »More

May 9, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., right conference room
Public Lecture: „Social innovation, social entrepreneurship and spatial development“
Public Lecture with Gabriela Christmann from the Leibniz-Institute for regional development and structural planning. Further information will be published on the ZEF website at short notice.

May 23
Dies Academicus of the University of Bonn: ZEF presents its research
Further information will be published on the ZEF website at short notice.

May 25
BMZ conference: ZEF participates in „Engagement fairbindet – Zukunftsentwickler 2012“
ZEF participates in this stakeholder-event organized by BMZ and German federal development organizations.

May 24, 9:30 a.m. - 6 p.m., right conference room
Crossroads Asia Workshop: „The nexus of conflict and migration in Afghanistan“
Further information will be published on the Crossroads Asia website at short notice.

June 2-10
Right Livelihood College Workshop: „Mobilization for change: Social movements in a developing world“
Four winners of the „Alternative Nobel Prize“ are invited to Bonn for the workshop: Nnimmo Bassey (Nigeria), Anwar Fazal (Malaysia), Alla Yaroshinskaya (Russia), and Zafrullah Chowdhury (Bangladesh). More information will soon be available on www.rlc-bonn.de

June 15
Science Night at the University of Bonn: ZEF organizes Ethiopian coffee ceremony
Further information will be published on the ZEF website at short notice.

June 25-27
Deutsche Welle Global Media Forum: ZEF organizes panel
Plenary session 4 „The fight for knowledge - Opportunities and risks of educational work in conflict and crisis zones“ of this year’s Global Media Forum will be organized by ZEF. For further information please visit http://www.dw.de/dw/0,,31103,00.html

:: Events-review ::

April 4, 7 -9 p.m., right conference room
Film Screening: „Migration and freedom of movement - Transnational solidarity and the Bamako-Dakar caravan“
Alternative wednesday with Mariam Diakité and Dieter A. Behr, two activists from the Afrique-Europe-Interact network will present their documentary about last year’s protest caravan to the World Social Forum in Dakar. »More

March 13
Kapuscinski Lecture on grasping asian economic integration with Dr. Ashraf Ghani
The event was part of the „Kapuscinski Development Lectures“ initiative of the European Commission, the United Nations Development Programme in partnership with the European Association of Development Research and Training Institutes.
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