



## News

November

### This year's „Justus von Liebig“ Prize for World Food issues awarded to ZEF Director Joachim von Braun

The Justus von Liebig Prize for World Food issues is awarded bi-annually by the foundation fiat panis in Ulm. On November 11, „the internationally acknowledged agro-economist Professor Joachim von Braun“, director and co-founder of ZEF, was awarded the Prize by the foundation.

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### ZEF researchers at international workshop on „Comparative Water Studies“

The workshop on “Comparative water studies workshop” has been carried out in cooperation with the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), London, and the Irrigation and water engineering group of Wageningen University, the Netherlands. It took place in London from October 24-25.

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### ZEF Fellow Oded Stark among top five Professors of Economics

ZEF Fellow Oded Stark made it again. In the new 2011 Handelsblatt Ranking of the top 250 Professors of Economics in the German-speaking world, he is ranked amongst the top five. He is also ranked as Austria's number one Professor of Economics, and for that matter, for the fifth year in a row.

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### Delegation from Addis Ababa University at ZEF

A delegation from Addis Ababa University and the Right Livelihood College in Addis Ababa visited the Right Livelihood Campus in Bonn at ZEF from October 18-23. The visit aimed to strengthen partnerships and exchange between the RLC campus in Bonn and Addis Ababa.

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### ZEF: „Location of Progress“

The Ministry for Innovation, Science and Research of the State of North Rhine Westphalia (NRW) has appointed ZEF a „Location of Progress“ in the context of its initiative „Progress NRW“ launched in May 2011. The official inauguration ceremony took place with the NRW Minister of Innovation, Science, and Research, Mrs. Svenja Schulze on October 17. »More



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### ZEF at international conference on water management by BMBF

ZEF was well presented at an international conference in Dresden from October 12-13, 2011, on „Management of Water in a Changing World: Lessons Learnt and Innovative Perspectives“. The conference was organized by the Federal Ministry of Research and Education (BMBF). ZEF contributed to the conference with four panels.

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### Development on the margin': Tropentag 2011 in Bonn

ZEF was involved in organizing this year's Tropentag, taking place in Bonn from October 5-7, 2011. 33 junior and senior researchers participated in the event with lectures, talks and poster presentations.

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### ZEF at the UN/DPINGO Conference in Bonn

„Connections between development-related NGO work and research: Ambitions and constraints“ was the topic of ZEF's workshop at the 64th Annual United Nations Department of Public Information / Non-Governmental Organizations Conference taking place in Bonn from September 3-5, 2011. The workshop was supported by the Right Livelihood College and the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).

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July

### Published: ZEFs Central Asia Strategy Paper

This paper was published in July 2011 and offers an overview of ZEF's research activities in the region over the past years as well as a perspective on how to tackle the challenges facing Central Asia. You can order a copy at [presse.zef@uni-bonn.de](mailto:presse.zef@uni-bonn.de)

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July

### ZEF Director holds new UNESCO chair in Uzbekistan on „Education for sustainable development“

ZEF Director Prof. Dr. Paul Vlek was officially inaugurated as a UNESCO chair-holder in Urgench, Uzbekistan, on July 15, 2011. This chair on “Education for sustainable development” is one of 15 chairs initiated and supported by UNESCO worldwide and the first one in Central Asia. The semester for the newly established chair started in September 2011.

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## News from doctoral program

October

### ZEF alumnus succeeds in acquiring funds for German-Pakistani research collaboration

Usman Khalid Awan, a former ZEF doctoral student from Pakistan, has taken the lead in acquiring research funds under the recently established German-Pakistani Research Collaborations Program of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).

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### Welcome to new doctoral students



ZEF welcomes this year's batch of new doctoral students. Thirty-one students from 16 countries start into the three-year doctoral program at ZEF, where they will strengthen their interdisciplinary and disciplinary skills. Moreover, they conduct one year of

practical field research in a developing country or a development organisation.

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### ZEF junior researcher Liu Dan wins prize for best paper in Australia



Liu Dan, a ZEF junior researcher from China, won the first prize for the best paper by junior researchers during the 33rd Australian Conference of Health Economists, taking place in Melbourne from September 29-30. The prize for the paper she presented at the conference on „Impact evaluation of the new cooperative medical scheme“ was

awarded by the Australian Health Economists Society.

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Press coverage:

<http://www.zef.de/index.php?id=1422>

## Doctoral defenses

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**Toan Pham Van (Vietnam)**

*"Pesticide use and management in the Mekong Delta and their residues in surface and drinking water".*

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**Thai Hoa (Vietnam)**

*"Monitoring of endocrine disruptors in surface waters of the Mekong Delta in Vietnam".*

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**Gebreyesus Brhane (Ethiopia)**

*"Soil erosion modeling and soil quality evaluation for catchment management strategies in northern Ethiopia".*



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**Naheed Akhter (Pakistan)**

*"Comparison of DRIS and critical level approaches for evaluating nutrition status of wheat in the district of Hyderabad, Pakistan".*

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**Mina Kumari Devkota-Wasti (Nepal)**

*"Nitrogen management in irrigated cotton based systems under conservation agriculture on salt-affected lands of Uzbekistan".*



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## ZEF - Calendar

November 23, 16:15 - 17:30 hrs, right conference room  
**Public seminar with**

**Robert Haag (University of Münster) on:**  
„Patronage and power in the Amu Darya borderlands“

December 7, 11:00 - 12:00 hrs, room 3.032

**ZEF colloquium with**  
**Andreas Wilde (University of Bonn) on:**  
„Patronage and power in the Amu Darya borderlands“

December 8, 16:00 - 17:30 hrs, right conference room  
**Public seminar with**

**Daanish Mustafa (King's College London) on:**  
„Pakistan floods of 2010/2011: Souring of a Faustian bargain?“

December 14, 11:00 - 12:30 hrs, right conference room  
**Public seminar with**

**Anita Engels (Zentrum für Globalisierung und Governance, Universität Hamburg) on:**  
„Global carbon markets“

December 14, 16:15 - 17:30 hrs, right conference room  
**Crossroads Asia lecture with**

**Katja Mielke (ZEF) on:**  
„Soziale Mobilität in urbanen Räumen in Crossroads“

December 14, 16:15 - 17:30 hrs, right conference room  
**Crossroads Asia lecture with**

**Conrad Schetter (ZEF) on:**  
„Refugee, labour migrant, jihadist - translocality in Afghanistan“

## Further information

### Water lecture series

This is a joint lecture series organized by a number of water-related institutes in Bonn. The lectures take place at ZEF on a monthly basis. For further information please look at <http://www.zef.de/zefevents.html>. Contact: [presse.zef@uni-bonn.de](mailto:presse.zef@uni-bonn.de).

### Crossroads Asia lecture series

This lecture series is organized by the Crossroads Asia project, which is coordinated at ZEF. Please look at <http://www.crossroads-asia.de>. Contact: [c.schetter@uni-bonn.de](mailto:c.schetter@uni-bonn.de).

### ZEF at Dies Academicus

From 10.00 - 14.00 hrs ZEF will present several of its projects in Africa in room 3, University Building. Contact: [eguavoen@uni-bonn.de](mailto:eguavoen@uni-bonn.de)

## Publications

More publications at <http://www.zef.de/scientific.html>

**Bhaduri A. , U. Manna , E. Barbier and J. Liebe.** 2011. Climate Change and cooperation in transboundary water sharing: An application of stochastic stackelberg differential games in volta river basin. *Natural resources modeling*, 24(4): 409-444. DOI: 10.1111/j.1939-7445.2011.00097.x

**Bhaduri A. and E. Barbier.** 2011. Water Allocation between States in Inter Basin Water Transfer in India. *International Journal of River Basin Management*, DOI: 10.1080/15715124.2011.607823

**Birhane, E., E. Aynekulu, M. Wolde and D. Endale.** 2011. Management, use and ecology of medicinal plants in the degraded dry lands of Tigray, Northern Ethiopia. *Journal of Medicinal Plants Research*, 5(3): 309-318.

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**Eguavoen, I.** 2011. Pro-active farmers and supportive municipalities in Ethiopian dam projects. ZEF Policy Brief no. 9, Bonn.

**Gerber, N.** 2011. Biodiversity measures based on species-level dissimilarities: a methodology for assessment. *Ecological Economics* 70(12), 2275-2281.

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**Mekuria, A., P.L.G. Vlek and M. Denich** 2011. Application of the Caesium-137 technique to soil degradation studies in the southwestern highlands of Ethiopia. *Land Degrad. Develop.* DOI: 10.1002/ldr.1088

**Oberkircher, L. and A.K. Hornidge.** 2011. 'Water is Life' - Farmer rationales and water-saving in Khorezm, Uzbekistan: A Lifeworld Analysis, *Rural Sociology* 76(3): 394-421 DOI: 10.1111/j.1549-0831.2011.00054.x

**Wolde M. and E. Aynekulu.** 2011. Enclosure Land Management for restoration of the soils in degraded communal grazing lands in northern Ethiopia. *Land Degrad. Develop.*, DOI: 10.1002/ldr.1146

**Ziai, Aram** 2011. Postcolonialism and Development: Disparate Tales Reconsidered. In: *Development and Change* 42 (5), 1297-1306.

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