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NEWS about STAFF AND GUESTS

Hans-Dieter Evers (ZEFa) presented a keynote paper on “Knowledge Hubs and Knowledge Clusters: Designing a Knowledge Architecture for Development” at the conference “Knowledge Architecture for Development: Challenges ahead for Asian Business and Governance” at the Singapore Management University (SMU) on March 24-25 2008.

Hartmut Ihne (ZEFConsult) moderated a discussion panel on the “Role of India as an Emerging Superpower and its Influence on Development Policy” with the State Secretary Karin Kortmann from the BMZ. The event was organized by InWEnt and the Forum One World in North-Rhine Westphalia in Duesseldorf on February 28 2008,.

Hartmut Ihne (ZEFConsult) gave a keynote lecture on “Global Change by Education” at the University for Applied Sciences Eberswalde in the context of the Global Change Management Program, an initiative by UNESCO’s “Education for Sustainable Development” on February 18 2008.

On February 19-20 2008, Hartmut Ihne (ZEFConsult) took part in an IHDP think-shop on “Knowledge and Social Learning for Societal Change and Sustainability” in the Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin.

On March 5 2008, Hartmut Ihne (ZEFConsult) joined a meeting of the ICT working group of the Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) to discuss the results of several research projects on the role of ICT in Africa commissioned by the German Bundestag.

On March 13 2008, Hartmut Ihne (ZEFConsult) was invited by the Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development to take part in a meeting of the Forum One World to discuss recent problems of development policy and cooperation with representatives from various development NGOs and foundations in Berlin.

Bernd Kuzmits (ZEFa) gave a presentation on „Cooperation between Central Asian states and Afghanistan” at a joint conference by UNDP, the Academy of State and Social Construction under the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan and the Department of Political Science of the Justus-Liebig University Giessen, which took place in Tashkent from February 22 to 23 2008.



At the same conference, Conrad Schetter (ZEFa) chaired a panel discussion on "Good Political Regional Cooperation and Neighbourhood Policy".

Conrad Schetter (ZEFa) presented a paper entitled „Die politische Rolle Deutschlands aus afghanischer und zentralasiatischer Sicht“ at the Conference „Deutschland aus internationaler Sicht“ organized by the Gesellschaft für Deutschlandforschung at the Elisabeth Lüders Haus in Berlin on March 7 2008.

Till Stellmacher (ZEFa) participated in the International Conference of the Socio-Ecological Research Program at the Freie Universität Berlin on February 22-23 2008. He presented a paper on "Prospects and Challenges of Forest Coffee Certification in Ethiopia: the Need to Effectively link Economic Benefits and Biodiversity Conservation".

The first product from the research project undertaken by Paul Vlek (ZEFc) during his sabbatical has been published by the Science Council of the Consultative Group for International Agricultural Research (CGIAR), and is titled: "Land decline in Land-Rich Africa, a creeping disaster in the making" by Paul L. G. Vlek, Quang Bao Le, Lulseged Tamene (<http://www.sciencecouncil.cgiar.org/publications/>).

The Digital Water Atlas of the Global Water System Project (GWSP) was launched on February 21 2008 and is now available at <http://atlas.gwsp.org>. The Atlas currently contains 50 global maps and datasets on water-related topics and more than 100 links to other data and information sources. The Atlas is developed and maintained by the International Project Office of the GWSP, which is hosted by ZEF. Comments and contributions are highly welcome through the Atlas website. Contact: Marcel Endejan, gwsp.ipo@uni-bonn.de.

DOCTORAL PROGRAM

Inna Rudenko (ZEFb, Uzbekistan) successfully defended her doctoral thesis at the Faculty of Economics and Management, Institute of Environmental Economics and World Trade, Leibniz Universität, Hannover on March 13 2008. The title of her dissertation was "Value Chains for Rural and Regional Development: The Case of Cotton, Wheat, Fruit and Vegetable Value Chains in the Lower Reaches of the Amu Darya River, Uzbekistan". Her 1st supervisor was Prof. Dr. Ulrike Grote and her 2nd supervisor was Prof. Dr. Hermann Waibel.

PUBLICATIONS and PRESENTATIONS

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PRESS

On March 2 2008, Hartmut Ihne (ZEFConsult) gave an interview for German Television (WDR) on markets, globalization and ethics.

The next newsletter will be published in April 2008. Please keep in mind the *deadline for contributions: April 15 2008*.

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