



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT DOCTORAL SOCIETY

Columbia University in the City of New York

Call for Papers

Interdisciplinary Ph.D. Workshop in Sustainable Development

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Columbia University's Sustainable Development Doctoral Society is pleased to announce the Fourth Interdisciplinary Ph.D. Workshop in Sustainable Development (IPWSD), to be held at Columbia University in New York City. The workshop is open to graduate students working on or interested in issues relating to sustainable development and is intended to provide a forum to present and discuss research in an informal setting, as well as to meet and interact with researchers from other institutions.

We encourage contributions on a wide range of subjects, but particularly in the areas of poverty and development, climate and the environment, agriculture, energy systems, public health, and water resources. The intention is to assemble a group of researchers across a range of disciplines in the social and natural sciences, whose research contributes to a deeper understanding of the interactions between natural and social systems within their particular field(s), but who are capable of discussing this work with a broader audience of peers. It is anticipated that disciplines represented at the workshop will include: economics, earth and environmental sciences, political science, engineering, ecology, epidemiology, geography, law, and others. If your research pertains to the field of sustainable development and the linkages between natural and social systems, we encourage you to apply regardless of disciplinary background. The workshop will feature a keynote address by [Prof. Jeffrey Sachs](#), Director of [The Earth Institute, Columbia University](#).

Participants may present a paper, serve as a discussant, or both. To register for the IPWSD please register [online](#), and remember to submit a long abstract, ideally reporting preliminary results (full draft papers are also welcome) to cu.sdds.ipwsd@gmail.com if you are interested in presenting. *Applications to present are due by the 31st of January, 2014.* All applicants will be notified of the final decision regarding their application by mid-February, 2014.

Students in the dissertation stage of their Ph.D. will be given priority for presentation slots, though non-Ph.D. students (e.g. post-docs) are also welcome to apply. Workshop participants are expected to cover their travel and lodging expenses, but there is no fee for participating in the event and light breakfast & lunches will be provided. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the planning committee.

We look forward to seeing you in New York!

The Fourth IPWSD Planning Committee

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