

Call for Papers

Submission deadline: **June 15, 2011**

Global economic and environmental crises are increasingly influencing the public debate on the design of international economic relations. In international trade, natural resources play a prominent role both in terms of trade volumes and strategic/political importance. Throughout history natural resources have sparked major economic, political, social and, more recently, environmental concerns. Today, with ever growing and more globalized economic activity, scarcities, price volatilities and conflicts call for the proper management and regulation of natural resources.

The 2011 *oikos Young Scholars International Economics Academy* addresses this pressing topic. It will provide promising researchers with a global platform to identify and advance relevant and rigorous policy-oriented research. The Academy aims to stimulate academic innovation and progress with respect to international economics and Sustainable development and supports scholars in their skills to publish in leading international journals. The event strives to strengthen cooperation between academia, international organisations, NGOs, and policymaking institutions with the aim of generating substantive findings to tackle the challenges in the sustainable management of natural resources.

Successful papers or research proposals will draw on economic theory and methodology, focusing on the interdisciplinary nexus between international trade and the sustainable use of natural resources.

Programme

The five-day programme will encompass participants' paper presentations, guest lectures, professional development roundtables and social events. Participants also have the opportunity to apply their insights and skills in a practitioner day.

Fellow students and the following internationally well-reputed researchers will give feedback:

- **Prof. Melaku Desta**, The Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law and Policy. (CEPMLP), University of Dundee, UK
- **Prof. Simon Evenett**, Swiss Institute for International Economics and Applied Economic Research (SIAW-HSG), University of St. Gallen, Switzerland
- **Prof. Kelly Sims Gallagher**, Center for International Environment and Resource Policy (CIERP), The Fletcher School, USA and Harvard Belfer Center

Moderation:

- **Doaa Abdel Motaal** (TBC), Counsellor in the Office of the Director-General of the WTO.

Selected Topics

PhD students and young scholars may submit papers or elaborated research proposals on international trade theory, empirics, and policy, focusing on topics such as:

- The challenge of resource depletion
- Political economy of international trade and natural resources: nationally and internationally
- International trade regulation in natural resources
- The natural resource curse
- International trade in natural resources and the natural environment

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Topic 2011: Management of Natural Resources and International Trade

28 August - 2 September, 2011, Geneva, Switzerland

Application

To allow in-depth discussions the oikos Young Scholars international Economics Academy is limited to **15 PhD students and Post-Docs / Young Faculty**. The fee is CHF **400.-**. The oikos Foundation for Economy and Ecology will cover the total cost of hotel accommodation, food and excursions.

Your application should contain:

- (1) a proposal abstract of max. 2-3 pages,
- (2) a short curriculum vitae and
- (3) a letter of interest in the oikos Young Scholars International Economics Academy.

Please send your application via email to:

Johannes Schwarzer
oikos PhD Fellowship Lab
johannes.schwarzer@oikosinternational.org

Please submit your application by **June 15, 2011**

Applicants will be notified by **June 30, 2011**.

Final papers must be received for circulation to academy participants by **July 15, 2011**.

Feedbacks from previous oikos Academies:

One of the most significant learning experiences I've ever had. THANK YOU.

Patricia Kanashiro, George Washington University, USA

Excellent. A thoughtful academy concept that enables reflective discussion and enriching feedback. Having attended the academy, I find myself on newer theoretical planes, rejuvenated for the onward journey - and made friends for life... it couldn't have been better.

Partha Sarathy Roy, IRMA Armand, India

A wonderful academy - well organized and informative. Professionally and personally I really enjoyed it.

Krista Badiane, University of Michigan, USA

Insightful academic feedback from a great faculty and fellow students. An amazing academy atmosphere.

Nuno Oliveira, London School of Economics, UK

The oikos Foundation is committed to strengthening excellence within the international academic community in the field of Sustainability Management and Economics. For information on its academic projects please refer to our website: www.oikosinternational.org/research

This academy is part of the oikos Faculty Development Program including the annual oikos Young Scholars Academies in the fields of Finance (with UN PRI and SAM), Development (with UNDP and ResponsAbility), Entrepreneurship (with The Hub and WWF) and Organizational Theory. Participants are invited to become part of the oikos academic network.

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