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Workshop Welcomes Liberian President

On graduation weekend this year in Bloomington, the Workshop was delighted to help Indiana University welcome President Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf of Liberia. President Sirleaf visited Bloomington in order to accept an honorary Doctor of Laws degree for her work to rebuild the country after 14 years of civil war.

In addition to attending the graduation ceremony, Sirleaf gave an update on the country's progress at a talk held on campus, and attended a reception where she reported on Liberia's victories in recov-



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ering from years of turmoil, including the renegotiation of natural resources concessions that had been exploited to finance various factions during the war; a literacy project for market women; and welcoming back the Peace Corps to focus on rebuilding the nation's education system.

Sirleaf—the “Iron Lady” or “Ma Ellen,” as she is known at home—interacted with her eager audience in a way that reflected her leadership style, opening the floor to questions from any and all, and speaking with equal expertise on both the Liberian education system and the price of cement in Monrovia. In an era when heads of state are as often cause for grief as they are for admiration, the candid skill of this leader of a small, troubled country of two million was inspiring.

As we have discussed in these pages many times, the Workshop's ties to Liberia and to President Sirleaf center around the important work of Amos Sawyer, who accepted a position as Chairman of Liberia's Governance Reform Commission (now the Governance Commission) soon after Sirleaf took office in 2006. Since that time, Amos's time has been split between



Amos Sawyer, President Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, Vincent Ostrom, Elinor Ostrom, Jacob Bower-Bir, and Jacqui Bauer
(photo by K. A. MacDonald, www.kamacdonaldphoto.com)

Bloomington and Monrovia as he works with innumerable actors to tackle security reforms, decentralization reforms, constitutional reforms, land reforms, and a number of other tasks necessary to stabilize the country. Amos and Workshopper Verlon Stone, Director of the Liberian Collections Project, were both instrumental in arranging the visit.

Those interested in getting involved directly with efforts to rebuild Liberia can visit <http://www.smwf.org/>, the website of Ellen Johnson Sirleaf's Market Women's Fund, to participate in the Adopt-A-Market Campaign.

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WOW4: Approaching Fast!

ABSTRACT DEADLINE: September 15, 2008

The fourth Workshop on the Workshop (WOW4) will be held on June 2–7, 2009. There will be three avenues to present your work at WOW4:

- 1) Submit an abstract as part of a working group that has already been created (the deadline for creating working groups for the conference, February 8, has now passed).
- 2) Submit an abstract as an individual to be part of a limited number of sessions dependent upon time and space constraints.
- 3) Submit an abstract for one of the limited number of poster sessions.

Abstracts of all types are due to Jacqui Bauer (jacmbaue@indiana.edu) by **September 15, 2008**. For those not participating as part of a working group, conference organizers plan to confirm the final conference schedule by November 15, 2008.

For all participants, please note that final papers will be limited to 30 pages (11–12 point Arial font) including all tables, figures, and references. This will help the staff immensely in regard to making papers available to conference participants.

As with WOW3, WOW4 will be organized around working groups that will in turn organize sessions around specific themes. Submissions for proposed working groups were due by February 2008, and the resulting list of working groups is as follows:

- Applying Interdisciplinary Management Concepts to Quality School Reform
Coordinator: David Porter
- Collective Action in the Light of the Developmental Emergent Stage Psychologies
Coordinator: Leandro F.F. Meyer
- Collective Territories
Coordinator: Gustavo Gordillo
- Comparing Two Water Utilization Cases in China and Their Implication
Coordinators: Wang Xinbo & Xiong Xiangyang
- Sustainable Democracy
Coordinators: William Bianco & Regina Smyth
- Experiments in the Field
Coordinator: Maria Claudia Lopez
- Networked Governance
Coordinator: Armando Razo
- The Politics of Land and Natural Resources: Broadening the Scale of Analysis
Coordinators: Amy Poteete & Jesse Ribot
- Protected Areas as Common-Pool Resources or Public Goods?
Coordinator: Xavier Basurto
- Searching for Sustainability: A Comparative Assessment of Property Rights Dynamics in East Africa's Rangelands and Mongolia's Grasslands
Coordinator: Esther Mwangi
- Urban Politics and Policy
Coordinators: Richard Feiock & Kenneth Bickers

If you are not yet a part of a working group and would like to join one of those listed, please contact Gayle Higgins at: ghiggins@indiana.edu

Alumni & Affiliate Updates

Workshop alumni **Tun Myint**, now

of Carleton College, appeared on the Lehrer News Hour on May 12 to comment on the military junta in relation to the humanitarian crisis caused by the recent cyclone. A transcript of Tun's commentary can be found at http://www.pbs.org/newshour/bb/asia/jan-june08/junta_05-12.html



Brenda Bushouse was awarded tenure and promoted to Associate Professor at University of Massachusetts in the Political Science Department and Center for

Public Policy and Administration. She has a forthcoming book with SUNY Press in the Public Policy Series titled, *Universal Preschool: Policy Change, Stability, and the Pew Charitable Trusts*. From February to July 2008, she will be an Ian Axford Fellow in Public Policy at the Ministry of Education in New Zealand undertaking a comparative study of early childhood policies. She was also awarded a Leader of the 21st Century Fellowship with Zero to Three for 2007–08 to conduct a longitudinal study of the impact of universal preschool policies on the market for infant and toddler care.



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A Friend Moves On

It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of Judge Tom Stewart, a long-time Workshop colleague and friend, on December 12, 2007 at the age of 88. Tom came to know Vincent Ostrom in his position as the chief organizer of the Alaska Constitutional Convention in 1955, an event that proved formative in the professional lives of both men.

Those who knew Tom will remember him as a free spirit and great storyteller who relished the more colorful aspects of life. He will be greatly missed.



Changes in the Workshop Library

The Workshop is sorry to announce the pending departure of Charlotte Hess, who has accepted a position as Associate University Librarian for Collections and Scholarly Communication at Syracuse University. Charlotte has been with the Workshop for 19 years, and was instrumental in building the Workshop research library, and created one of the first (and still best, as far as we're concerned) digital libraries, the Digital Library of the Commons. Charlotte's intellectual contributions, particularly in expanding the way we think about knowledge as a commons and other "new commons," added innovative directions and ideas to Workshop research. In an era where the ability to share information changes constantly and performs an increasingly vital role in the way society operates, these new ways of thinking help us prepare for the future. Her innovative contributions will be missed.

Emily Castle, currently the Assistant Director of the Digital Library and Library Coordinator, is slated to take over as the director of the library. Details are still being worked out, and we expect to have more information in the next few months.

Arizona State University Launches New Workshop Sister Center

The Center for the Study of Institutional Diversity was officially launched in January of 2008 at a celebration attended by Nobel Prize winner Douglass North, Elinor Ostrom, and Sander van der Leeuw. Quoting from the ASU News article covering the celebration,

[t]he Center for the Study of Institutional Diversity, which is focused on empirical and theoretical analyses of institutions—or sets of rules—melds laboratory research, fieldwork, archi-

val activities and mathematical and agent-based modeling in ways that are meant to guide policy-making and decision-making toward sustainable development. Linked social-ecological systems related to water, forests, pastures and other resource systems are of prime importance.

Workshop affiliates Marco Janssen and Marty Anderies were instrumental in establishing the center.

Workshop Hosts South Korean Students for Democracy Training

For the second consecutive year, faculty at the Workshop hosted scholars from Sung Kyun Kwan University (SKKU) in South Korea for a month-long exchange and training in the principles of democracy and self-governance in January of 2008. Eight participants, all masters-level students in the Graduate School in Governance at SKKU, attended the training.

The training is the brainchild of IU and Workshop alumni Myungsuk Lee, now a professor at SKKU. Lee wanted his students to be exposed to the Workshop's approach, which aims to better understand and improve the ways that human beings govern themselves and their resources. Instructors Dr. Amos Sawyer, Research Associate at the Workshop, and Dr. Michael McGinnis, Professor of Political Science, drew on the Workshop's research framework as well as the work of Alexis de Tocqueville, Elinor and Vincent Ostrom, and many other scholars to elucidate the Workshop's polycentric approach to governance.

We hope to arrange for similar trainings of scholars in other parts of the world in the future.



Front row: Kim Joo Hyung, Michael McGinnis, Park Hyun Shin

Back row: Bae U Ri, Lee Jung Min, Hwang Kwang Seon, Yeo Jung Won, Jung Kyu Jin, Nam Ji Hyun, Cho Hyun Hee

COLLOQUIA

Jerome Busemeyer, Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, IUB, "What is Quantum Probability Theory, and How Can It Be Used to Analyze Measurements in the Social and Behavioral Sciences?," January 14.

Xavier Basurto, Workshop, IUB, "Strengthening Locally-Based Biodiversity Conservation Governance in Costa Rica: A Cross-Scale Analysis and the Role of NGOs," January 28.

Abdulkader Sinno, Department of Political Science and Middle Eastern Languages and Cultures, IUB; and **M. Najeeb Shafiq**, Education Policy Studies, IUB, "Education and Support for Suicide Attacks: Evidence from Six Muslim Countries," February 4.

Ridish Pokharel, Institute of Forestry, Tribhuvan University, Pokhara, Nepal, "Local Development through Nepal's Community Forestry Funds: Who Benefits?," February 11.

María Claudia López Pérez, Department of Resource Economics, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, "Combining Experiments and Participatory Rural Appraisal Tools in the Field: Exploring New Techniques to Preserve the Commons in Colombia," February 14.

Newton Paulo Bueno, Department of Economics, Federal University of Viçosa, Brazil, "Understanding the Concept of Robustness in Social-Ecological Systems: Definitions and Evaluation," February 18.

Charles Trzcinka, Kelley School of Business, Department of Finance, IUB, "Financial Globalization and Risk Sharing: Welfare Effects and the Optimality of Open Markets," February 25.

James Wunsch, Department of Political Science and International Relations, African Studies Program, Creighton University, "In the Shadow of 'Lame Leviathans': Collective Action and Local Governance in Africa," March 3.

Maria Alejandra Velez, Center for Research on Environmental Decision (CRED), Columbia University, "Collective Titling and the Process of Institution Building: Common Property Regime in the Colombian Pacific," March 6.

Hongshan Yang, School of Public Administration; and **Jianguo Chen**, Public Administration, Renmin University of China, Beijing, "Seeking Good Governance in a Grand-Scale State: Institutional Evolution of Intergovernmental Relations in China," March 17.

Amos Sawyer, Workshop, IUB, "Governance Reform in Liberia: Challenges of Design and Implementation," March 24.

Elinor Ostrom, Workshop, IUB, "Sustainable Development of Common-Pool Resources," March 31.

Anne M. Hallum, Department of Political Science, Stetson University, "Finding Common Ground: Designing Institutions for Development and Conservation in Central America," April 7.

Achim Schlüter, Institute of Forest Economics, University of Freiburg, Germany, "The Grammar of Institutions: The Challenge to Distinguish between Norms and Rules," April 10.

E. G. Nadeau, Cooperative Development Services, Madison, WI, "The Next Two Million Acres: A Community-Based Strategy for Increasing Family Forest Management in Wisconsin," April 14.

Pamela Jagger, Workshop, IUB, "Livelihood and Sustainability Outcomes after Uganda's Forest Sector Governance Reform," April 21.

Theo Toonen, Comparative Government and Public Administration, Leiden University, the Netherlands, "Adapting to Climate Change in a Metropolis below Sea Level: Water Governance in the Netherlands," May 1.

DEVELOPMENT WORKING GROUP LECTURES

Eric Coleman, Workshop, IUB, "Trust in Transition: Experimental Evidence from Bulgaria," January 25.

Sheldon Gellar, Workshop, IUB, "Reflections on Participatory Development and Local Governance Strategies in Africa," February 8.

Lauren Morris MacLean, Department of Political Science, IUB, "The Policy Feedbacks of Welfare State Retrenchment and the Implications for Citizenship in Africa," February 22.

Joseph Bahati, Uganda Forestry Resources and Institutions Center (UFRIC), Makerere University, Uganda, "Assessing the Implication of Decentralization on Livelihood, Biodiversity, and Ecological Sustainability in Uganda: A Preliminary Analysis of the Pilot SAN-REM/IFRI Site," February 29.

Michael Cox, Workshop, IUB, "Understanding the Acequias of New Mexico as Social-Ecological Systems," March 21.

Arthur Arinaitwe, Faculty of Agriculture, Makerere University, Uganda, "Where Do Forest and Environmental Incomes Come From?," April 4.

Gustavo Gordillo de Anda, Workshop, IUB, "Rural Reforms in Mexico: An Assessment 16 Years After (A Research Project)," April 18.

MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT AND REFORM LECTURE SERIES:

Nimrod Luz, Fulbright Visiting Professor, IU South Bend, "The Politics of Sacred Places: Palestinian Identity, Collective Memory, and Resistance in the Hassan Bek Mosque Conflict," February 7.

Stathis Kalyvas, Department of Political Science, Yale University, "The Logic of Violence in Civil War," April 8.

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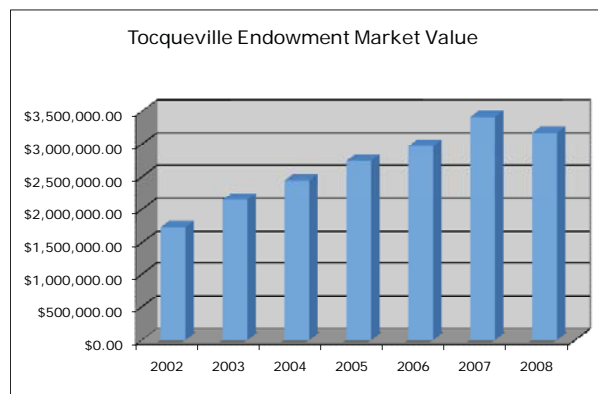
Special Workshop Colloquium Series on Sustainability

During the spring semester of 2008, the Workshop hosted a special colloquium series on sustainability. Talks included as part of this series focused specifically on the ongoing global challenge of how to manage forest resources sustainably. Recent research has pointed to the importance of effective, locally appropriate institutional arrangements for facilitating sustainable management. It is increasingly recognized that no single policy prescription or set of institutional arrangements will fit the diversity of social, political, economic, and biophysical contexts that exist. Instead, we are challenged to search

for the underlying principles that promote effective institutions while recognizing the unique demands of each local situation. This colloquium series presented studies of three innovative approaches for sustainable forest management. Focusing on the institutional arrangements, the speakers explored the progress and conundrums inherent in the management of protected areas, indigenous community forestry, and local forest cooperatives. Speakers included Anne Hallum of Stetson University and E. G. Nadeau of Cooperative Development Services in Wisconsin.



Tocqueville Endowment for the Study of Human Institutions



	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Market value	\$2,146,899	\$2,443,920	\$2,737,665	\$2,967,214	\$3,408,272	\$3,171,060
Percentage growth	24.10%	13.83%	12.02%	8.38%	14.86%	-6.96%

POLYCENTRIC CIRCLES is published biannually, in May and November. We welcome information regarding new research projects, recent publications, announcements, photographs, etc. The deadline for submitting items for the November 2008 issue is **October 31, 2008**. Please submit your items to the editor, Jacqui Bauer, at: jacmbaue@indiana.edu

Short-Term Visitors

Arun Agrawal, School of Natural Resources and Environment, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (Jun 8–10)

T. K. Ahn, Department of Public Administration, Korea University, Seoul, South Korea (Feb 14–18, 24–26; Apr 5–7)

Krister Andersson, Department of Political Science, University of Colorado, Boulder (Feb 26–29)

Julia and Wal Duany, Republic of Sudan, The Southern Sudan Legislative Assembly, Juba (Jan 1–24)

Rachel Kornak, School of Natural Resources and Environment, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (Jun 8–13)

Myungsuk Lee, Department of Public Administration, Sungkyunkwan University, Seoul, South Korea (Jan 1–6)

Marty Luckert, Forest and Natural Resources, Economics and Policy, Department of Rural Economy, University of Alberta, Canada (Feb 26–29)

Evelyn Lwanga Namubiru, Philadelphia, PA (Feb 26–29)

Ruth Meinzen-Dick, CGIAR, Wildwood, MO (Feb 26–29)

Esther Mwangi, Center for International Development, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA (Feb 25–Mar 3)

Achim Schlüter, Institut für Forstökonomie, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg, Germany (Apr 7–12)

Ganesh Shivakoti, School of Environment, Resources and Development, Asian Institute of Technology, Pathumthani, Thailand; and *Rama Shivakoti*, Pathumthani, Thailand (May 1–10)

Frank van Laerhoven, Rotterdam, the Netherlands (Apr 9–16; May 1–6)

Maria Alejandra Velez, CRED, Psychology Department, Columbia University, New York (Mar 4–6)

PUBLICATIONS — Books & Monographs

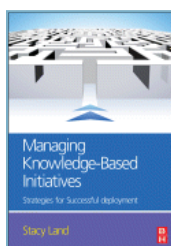
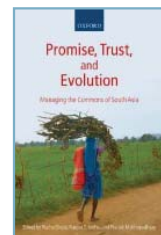


Andersson, Krister, Gustavo Gordillo de Anda, and Frank van Laerhoven. In Press. *Local Governments and Rural Development: Comparing Lessons from Brazil, Chile, Mexico, and Peru*. University of Arizona Press.

Based on interviews with more than 1,200 mayors, local officials, and farmers in 390 municipal territories in four Latin American nations, the authors analyze the ways in which different forms of decentralization affect the governance arrangements for rural development “on the ground.” Their comparative analysis suggests that rural development outcomes are systemically linked to locally negotiated institutional arrangements—formal and informal—between government officials, NGOs, and farmer groups that operate in the local sphere.

Ghate, Rucha, Narpal S. Jodha, and Pranab Mukhopadhyay, eds. 2008. *Promise, Trust, and Evolution: Managing the Commons of South Asia*. Oxford University Press.

From land management to water rights, this volume looks at the current status of common property resources, or CPRs, in South Asia. Developed countries have managed to establish well-defined property rights over numerous resources and in some instances extended non-exclusionary rights over privately owned resources over an extended period of time. In the developing world, however, the share of community property is extensive, either as a response to an expanding market or because the exposure to markets is still in its nascent stage.

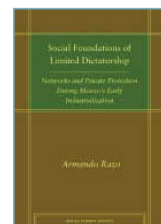


Land, Stacy. 2008. *Managing Knowledge-Based Initiatives: Strategies for Successful Deployment*. Elsevier.

This book shows practitioners how to take their successful knowledge management pilot programs and to successfully expand them throughout the organization. Stacy Land explores what knowledge managers/project managers must know to effectively navigate within their organizations, position their work in a value-based framework, and publicize their work to increase buy-in. Topics include avoiding common sand traps, working with committees and multiple departments, compliance, entering a new world of politics and funding, achieving organizational alignment, developing and executing on a value proposition, and more.

Razo, Armando. 2008. *Social Foundations of Limited Dictatorship: Networks and Private Protection During Mexico's Early Industrialization*. Stanford University Press.

This innovative new book contributes simultaneously to two different disciplinary fields: comparative political economy and Mexican history. It does so by attempting to explain why Mexico—contrary to the predictions of several dominant theories of economic growth—enjoyed a comparatively high rate of economic growth and development under the highly authoritarian dictatorship of Porfirio Diaz (1876–1911). In conducting a detailed political analysis of Diaz’s rule, Armando Razo introduces network analysis to the study of institutions and growth, and shows how dictators can maintain their power with credible growth-enhancing policies.

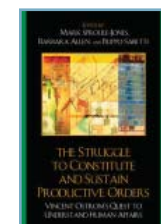


Schlager, Edella, and William Blomquist. In Press. *Embracing Watershed Politics*. University Press of Colorado.

This book provides timely illustrations and thought-provoking explanations of why political considerations are essential, unavoidable, and in some ways even desirable elements of decision making about water and watersheds. With decades of combined study of water management in the United States, they focus on the many contending interests and communities found in America’s watersheds, the fundamental dimensions of decision making, and the impacts of science, complexity, and uncertainty on watershed management.

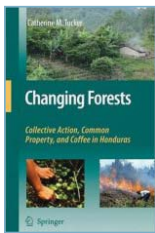
Sproule-Jones, Mark, Barbara Allen, and Filippo Sabetti, eds. In Press. *The Struggle to Constitute and Sustain Productive Orders: Vincent Ostrom's Quest to Understand Human Affairs*. Lexington Books.

Countries, governments, and organizations devise constitutions to reflect their visions of governance and rules for their leaders. They vary considerably in both formats and consequences. Vincent Ostrom is one of America’s leading scholars on constitutions and has spent a lifetime researching, analyzing, and writing about constitutions in America and overseas. He provides methods to judge and to implement constitutions as citizens struggle with their formulation. In this book, scholars from around the world add to this intellectual quest of massive scholarly and practical importance. Using the research and methodology pioneered by Ostrom, they identify and analyze the criteria for successful constitutions in both theory and practice.



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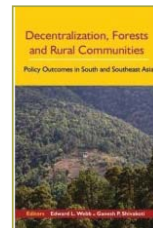


Tucker, Catherine M. 2008. *Changing Forests: Collective Action, Common Property, and Coffee in Honduras*. Springer.

Drawing on ethnographic and archival research, this book explores how the indigenous Lenca community of La Campa, Honduras, has conserved and transformed their communal forests through the experiences of colonialism, opposition to state-controlled logging, and the recent adoption of export-oriented coffee production. It merges political ecology, collective-action theories, and institutional analysis to study how the people and forests have changed through socio-economic and political transitions. It studies the complex, often contradictory relationships between the people and their natural resources to understand why forest cover endures.

Webb, Edward, and Ganesh Shivakoti, eds. 2008. *Decentralization, Forests and Rural Communities: Policy Outcomes in South and Southeast Asia*. Sage India.

This book argues that policy solutions to resource dilemmas faced by forest-accessing rural communities must be flexible, and must allow for local dynamics and innovations to take place. It also debates the balance that needs to be struck: simply decentralize authority in toto or retain some core elements necessary to achieve sustainable management and conservation of forests. Presenting case studies from Bhutan, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Thailand, and Vietnam, it investigates how decentralization is affecting local stakeholders and their management of forest resources.



FORTHCOMING BOOKS & MONOGRAPHS

Brondizio, Eduardo, *The Amazonian Caboclo and the Açai Palm: Forest Farmers in the Global Market*. New York Botanical Garden Press.

Sabetti, Filippo, Barbara Allen, and Mark Sproule-Jones, eds., *The Practice of Constitutional Development: Vincent Ostrom's Quest to Understand Human Affairs*. Lexington Books.

Sproule-Jones, Mark, Carolyn Johns, and B. Timothy Heinmiller, eds., *Canadian Water Politics: Conflict and Institutions*. McGill-Queen's University Press.

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Andersson, Krister, & Elinor Ostrom. 2008. "Analyzing Decentralized Resource Regimes from a Polycentric Perspective." *Policy Sciences* 41:71–93.

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Industrial Emission Control in Sweden." *Public Administration* 85(4): 1097–118.

Kashwan, Prakash. 2007. "Lava Ka Baas Traditional Water Harvesting Structure: The Community behind 'Community'." In *Water Conflicts in India: A Million Revolts in the Making?*, ed. K. J. Joy, et al., 287–92. New Delhi: Routledge.

Kashwan, Prakash, & Pemaram Patel. 2008. "Neighbours Who Refused to Be Excluded!: An Inter-village Conflict Arising from Exclusion of Traditional Users of Forests from JFM in Udaipur District, Rajasthan." In *Locked Horns: Conflicts and their Resolution in Community Based Natural Resource Management*, ed. A. Pastakia, 245–61. Bangalore: Books for Change.

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Liu, Jianguo, et al. 2007. "Coupled Human and Natural Systems." *Ambio* 36(8): 639–49.

McGinnis, Michael, & Elinor Ostrom. 2008. "Will Lessons from Small-Scale Social Dilemmas Scale Up?" In *New Issues and Paradigms in Research on Social Dilemmas*, ed. A. Biel et al., 189–211. Berlin: Springer.

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Poteete, Amy, & Elinor Ostrom. 2008. "Fifteen Years of Empirical Research on Collective Action in Natural Resource Management: Struggling to Build Large-N Databases Based on Qualitative Research." *World Development* 36(1): 176–95.

Regmi, Ashok. 2007. "Water Security and Farmer Managed Irrigation Systems of Nepal." In *Natural Resources Security in South Asia: Nepal's Water*, ed. F. Rotberg and A. Swain, 67–109. Stockholm, Sweden: Institute for Security and Development Policy.

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Congratulations !!!



Alumni **Krister Andersson** and wife Carla, who welcomed their newborn son, Markus Antonio, born on May 19, 2008.

Alumni **William Blomquist**, who accepted a position as the Dean of the School of Liberal Arts at Indiana University-Purdue University-Indianapolis. In addition, Bill was awarded the Turin Chair in Environmental Policies, a Fulbright Program Distinguished Chair, from February to May 2008.

Burney Fischer, who received the 2007 Teaching Award for Undergraduate Instruction from IU's School of Public and Environmental Affairs.

Workshop affiliates **Roy Gardner** and **James Acheson**, who received a grant from the National Science Foundation for a project titled "Evolution of Rules in Two Fisheries."

Tanya Hayes, who received IU's Greenough Award for best doctoral dissertation in political science, "Forest Governance in a Frontier: An Analysis of the Dynamic Interplay between Property Rights, Land-Use Norms, and Agricultural Expansion in the Mosquitia Forest Corridor of Honduras and Nicaragua."

Sam Joseph, whose organization (Action Aid) is working with the Rwandan Common Development Fund on the Ubudehe collective action project. Ubudehe was one of 12 projects to receive the United Nations Public Service Award for 2008.

Fenton Martin, Librarian, IU Political Science Research Collection, who retired on March 31, 2008.

Lauren Morris-MacLean, affiliated faculty member, who received a 2008 New Frontier's Grant for her project "Constructing Democracy in America: Tribal-State Conflict and Cooperation in American Indian health Policy, 1970–2005."

Harini Nagendra, who welcomed a daughter born on December 28, 2007—baby Dhvani, meaning the sound of music, or melody.

Elinor Ostrom, who will be awarded a degree of Doctor of Letters, *honoris causa*, at McGill University on May 30, 2008. In addition, Lin was installed as the Robert A. Dahl Fellow of the American Academy of Political and Social Science. She was one of six 2008 fellows.

Kunle Oyerinde and his wife, on the birth of their son, Opeoluwa Oyerinde, on March 5, 2008.

Alumni **Earl Singleton**, who received IU's Thomas Ehrlich Award for Excellence in Service Learning. This award recognizes faculty members who have shown outstanding leadership in integrating community and public service into their curricula. See story at: <http://homepages.indiana.edu/2008/03-28/story.php?id=1888>

Alumni **Frank van Laerhoven**, who has accepted a position as assistant professor in environmental social sciences at the University of Utrecht in the Netherlands. Frank has also announced that he and his wife Tasja are expecting a baby.

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