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Please register by 17 November 2018

No Sustainability without Research 21. November, 17-19.00 - <u>Paneldiscussion</u> in Ger/Fr with simultanous translation in English

Leveraging Research Partnerships for Global Challenges 22 November, 9 - 16.00, <u>International Conference</u>

Wyss Foundation supports Univ. of Bern

The Wyss Foundation announced a global conservation campaign. On a related note, they also announced that they will be working on a year-long pilot project in Kenya and Peru, together with the University of Bern. This should highlight possibilities of how sustainable development for people and the environment can be put into practice in the future. See the Media Release

SUDAC annual Conference 2018

Please register by 20 November

The swissuniversities Development and Cooperation Network (SUDAC) gives you the opportunity to meet its 10 consortia tackling global challenges - on 23 November 2018 in Bern (13.30-17.00). Get an insight into the SDG-based work and the workings of ten research and education consortia (COFER) that group 22 Swiss higher education institutions and more than 40 partner institutions in the Global South.

The SNIS launches its 2019 Call for Projects

The Swiss Network for International Studies (SNIS) <u>offers project grants for pluri-disciplinary research teams</u>. The project grants run for two years and range from 100'000 to 300'000 Swiss Francs. Application deadline: 16 January 2019

GOALS

REPIC: next deadline for project outlines and proposals

Are you developing an innovative project, designed to meet the needs of a developing or transition country?

Does it involve Swiss technology and knowhow transfer in the renewable energy, resource or energy efficiency fields? <u>REPIC is partially financing new, sustainable and effective small-scale projects</u> from Swiss institutions with high replication potential. Next deadline: 7 January 2019.

Online Courses: Innovative Educational Opportunities

In pursuit of innovative, flexible and accessible learning, the Graduate Institute has embraced online platforms, allowing not only current students but the wider public, <u>access to a world class</u> <u>education</u>. This pursuit has sparked new partnerships and broadened the Institute's reach to the far corners of the earth.

Thinking World-Africa:Originality and Innovative Practices

CALL FOR PANELS / PAPERS/ROUNDTABLES: May 16-19 2019 in Montreal Canada: From an open and multidisciplinary perspective, <u>the 2019 CAAS conference invites reflection</u> on the question of originality and innovation, in relation to Africa's relationship with the rest of the world.

Rencontre scientifique interdisciplinaire : environnement, changement climatique, populations

Université Gaston Berger – Saint Louis – Sénégal - 10 janvier 2019. La participation est gratuite et ouverte à tous. Les personnes intéressées à participer sont priées de contacter <u>Loic.Bruening@unine.ch</u> avant le 15.12.2018. Les personnes et équipes de recherche souhaitant faire une communication sont priées d'envoyer un résumé de 250 mots maximum.

Fünf Stipendien für internationale Aufgaben

Das <u>Mercator Kolleg für internationale Aufgaben</u> fördert jährlich fünf Schweizer und 20 deutsche Hochschulabsolventinnen und -absolventen aller Fachrichtungen, die eine verantwortungsvolle Tätigkeit in internationalen Einsatzfeldern anstreben. 12-monatiges Programm in 2-3 internationalen Organisationen, global tätigen NGOs oder Wirtschaftsunternehmen.

More news - via KFPE

Courses

ETH-NADEL Courses in Development and Cooperation: Spring Semester 2019

Registration for the spring semester started on November 5 2018.

Dealing with the Past Course, 25 - 26 January 2019

Learn how societies emerging from violence and conflict deal with the past and prepare for the future. <u>Read</u> <u>more and register</u> by 30 November 2018

Corruption and Integrity in Business and Development, 7 & 8 February 2019

<u>Participants engage with experiences and best practices from the perspectives</u> of Swiss SMEs and multinationals as well as developmental NGOs.

National Dialogue & Peace Mediation Course, 11 – 15 February 2019

Learn from experts in the national dialogue & mediation field how to design and implement effective national dialogues. <u>Read more and register</u> by 30 November 2018

Mediation & Peacemaking Course, 1 – 2 March 2019

Understand the challenges mediators face when facilitating dialogue and searching for peace agreements and train your negotiation and mediation skills. <u>Read more and register</u> by 15 January 2019

MBA in International Health Management

Swiss TPH's <u>part-time MBA in International Health Management</u> is designed for working professionals who seek to acquire and deepen skills in both international health and management/administration. Selected courses can also be taken as single modules for continuing professional development. Application until 15 February 2019.

Events

8th Global Forum on Health Promotion

14 November 2018 in Geneva (9-17.00). <u>Health Promotion for prevention and control of Non-communicable</u> <u>diseases</u> (NCDs): Translating global declarations into community level action and impact. Organised by the Alliance for Health Promotion and the Global Health Centre in collaboration with the World Health Organization

Civil Wars and State Formation - Africa in Comparative Perspective

15-17 November 2018 in Geneva. <u>This conference seeks to debate the social construction</u> of order and legitimacy during and after violent conflict. It focuses on political orders put in place by armed groups, their strategies to legitimize their claim to power, and on the extent to which they strive and manage to institutionalize their military power and transform it into political domination.

The Emerging World: alternatives that can change everything

20 November 2018 in Geneva. 18.00-20.00 - more information

Sustainable Supply Chains in Sports:From Mega-Event Management to Daily Due Diligence

21 November 2018 in Lausanne by the Swiss Institute of Comparative Law - more information

Health in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

23 November 2018 in Basel. <u>The SwissTPH and the SNIS</u> invite ecologists, epidemiologists, public health specialists, members of international and non-governmental organizations, civil society and more to review and discuss progress in sustainable development with an emphasis on health in the SDG era.

Berufsbildung und Gender Equality: bessere Chancen in Ausbildung und Arbeit für Frauen!

27. November 2018, 14:00 – 17:30, <u>Technische Berufsschule Zürich. Mit einem Referat</u> von Prof. Dr. habil. Elena Makarova, Institut Forschung und Entwicklung an der PH FHNW. Workshops geben Einblicke in die praktischen Erfahrungen von Plan International Schweiz, Helvetas, kibesuisse sowie vom Kantonsspital Winterthur

Reimagining access: how to make innovation accessible to more people in a sustainable way

5 December 2018, Basel at Novartis Foundation (9.00-14.15). Together, we will explore topics, such as innovative business models and financing mechanisms, adaptive development and digital health solutions as enablers for sustainable healthcare impact. <u>Registration</u>

The Copper Value Chain - Life in Zambia, the Swiss Commodity Hub, and Responsible Business

8 December 2018, Basel. Zambian and Swiss civil society activists and researchers look at the interdependence between Swiss trade and logistics and life in Zambian mining towns, and discuss the responsibility of Swiss-based businesses. Jointly organised by KEESA, Afrika-Komitee and the Centre for African Studies Basel.

SFIAR Award Ceremony 2018

10 December 2018 at the University of Bern: 16.15-18.30. Sweeter prospects for smallholders. with keynote by Professor Ernst A. Brugger (President of the Board, Swiss Platform for Sustainable Cocoa) presentations by the SFIAR Award winners 2018 and panel discussion <u>More information</u>

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Publications

Palm oil: the carbon cost of deforestation

Palm oil has become part of our daily lives, <u>but a recent study</u> by EPFL and the Swiss Federal Institute for Forest, Snow and Landscape Research (WSL) serves as a reminder that intensive farming of this crop has a major impact on the environment. Both short- and long-term solutions exist, however.

Challenges and Opportunities in Assessing Sustainable Mountain Development

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the associated SDGs offer a useful framework for assessing sustainable development in mountain regions and devising strategies for its promotion. <u>In this Working Paper</u>, scientists of CDE and the Mountain Research Initiative discuss gaps in data on sustainable development in mountains and propose possible ways of addressing them.

Schweizer Transithandel und Zambia

Das vorliegende <u>neue Afrika-Bulletin diskutiert die wirtschaftlichen Beziehungen</u> der Schweiz zum Süden; konkret untersuchen die Autorinnen und Autoren dieses Thema am Beispiel von Zambia und dessen Kupfer. Die Beiträge sind im Rahmen des Forschungsprojekts Valueworks: Effects of Financialisation along the Copper Value Chain entstanden.

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