



# SUSTAINABILITY AND CONSUMPTION

## Virtual Community

NEWSLETTER  
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Dear reader,

The holiday season is approaching and here in the north of Europe, it's starting to be dark and cold. Therefore, we have packed a bouquet of interesting reading materials for you for the long evenings, and news and calls that might allow you to make plan for when it's summer again. For example, we hope that many of you will plan to meet good friends and colleagues for stimulating exchanges of ideas at the VC's annual event in Paris 7 July. A call for papers will come out soon, but if you plan to attend, you might also consider attending the International Congress of Applied Psychology (ICAP) that will take place in Paris from 8-13 July 2014. The deadline for submitting abstracts is December 1st, but rumors say that it will be extended until mid-December. I am sure the ICAP is a very relevant conference for many of us and I already know of quite a lot of VC members participating with papers or as keynote speakers.

Kind regards,

John

## NEWS

### FEEM Sustainability Index 2013

A new version of the FEEM SI index was released on November 12th 2013, during a dedicated event: "Methodologies and indicators for green growth measurement": The conference focused on assessing the state of the art in quantitative measurement of sustainability, connecting theoretical background, practical assessment and policy perspectives.

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## CALLS

### Global Environments Summer Academy 2014

The Global Diversity Foundation announces GESA 2014: the fourth Global Environments Summer Academy, held in collaboration with the Centre for Development and Environment of the University of Bern (Switzerland) between 26 July and 15 August 2014.

Please note there is a two-stage application process for GESA 2014. Candidates are invited to complete the application form and upload their CV before 15 January 2014. All applicants will be notified of the first stage results by 15 February 2014, and finalists will be invited to the second stage, during which they will be asked for additional information that must be submitted by 15 March 2014. A final selection of participants will be completed by 1 May 2014.

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### The Policy Studies Institute is recruiting a Senior Research Fellow in Environment and sustainable Development.

Policy Studies Institute (PSI) is expanding its research team and is appointing an experienced Senior Research Fellow to help develop its environment and sustainable development policy research programme.

Closing date: Tuesday 3 December 2013

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### Call for papers for the 39th Annual Macromarketing Conference 2014

The 39th Annual Macromarketing Conference will be held between July 2-5, 2014 at the School of Management, Royal Holloway, University of London.

Theme: Macromarketing and the Crisis of the Social Imagination

This is a conference that seeks to develop dialogue and rich exchange of knowledge and, in particular, seeks an analysis that connects us to the actions that we see on the ground, be they in the austerity measures that cut through the world, revolts and giant-scale protests—at the time of writing in Brazil to Turkey—to consumer technology interfaces used for espionage purposes on an epic scale.

Submissions of papers to track chairs should be sent no later than Monday 3, February, 2014.

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### Call for papers for the International Sustainability Transitions (IST) conference 2014

The 5th International Sustainability Transitions (IST) Conference will be held between August 27-29, 2014 in Utrecht, The Netherlands.

The IST conference is the central venue for scholars to share theoretical and empirical advances in the field of sustainability transitions. Sustainability transitions are transformations of major socio-technical systems such as energy, water, transportation, and food towards more sustainable ways of production and consumption. It is a multidisciplinary field with inputs from heterodox economics, environmental governance, innovation studies, sociology and history.

The deadline for paper submissions is 15 March 2014.

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### Call for papers for the 23rd IAPS Conference

The 23rd IAPS Conference "Transitions to sustainable societies: Designing research and policies for changing lifestyles and communities will take place in Timișoara, Romania, at the West University of Timișoara, from the 23rd to the 27th of June 2014.

According to IAPS mission, the 23rd IAPS Conference will address the study of the interrelations between people and their socio-physical surroundings and the relation of this field to other social sciences.

The deadline for abstract submission has been extended to the 15th of December 2013.

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### Update for the 2nd international GRF-SPaC conference's call for papers

The deadline has been moved from the 1st of November to the 15th of December.

## PUBLICATIONS

### Publication of the month

Jackson T., & Victor P. A., (2013), Green Economy at Community Scale. *George Cedric Metcalf Charitable Foundation* ([available online](#))

Abbas, K., Christie, I., Demassieux, F., Hayward, B., Jackson, T., & Pierre, F. (2013). Sustainable consumption and lifestyles? Children and youth in cities. In ISSC/UNESCO (Ed.), World Social Science Report 2013: Changing Global Environments (pp. 357-357). Paris: OECD/UNESCO.

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Sunstein C., & Reisch L. (2013). Automatically Green: Behavioral Economics and Environmental Protection. *Harvard Environmental Law Review* ([Read more](#))

Wilbanks, T. J., Dietz, T., Moss, R. H., & Stern, P. C. (2013). The social sciences and global environmental change in the United States. In ISSC (Ed.), World Social Science Report 2013: Changing Global Environments (pp. 133-141). Paris: UNESCO.

## EVENTS

<b>09 - 10 December</b>	Food futures – towards sustainable production and consumption	London, U.K.
<b>2014</b>		
<b>06 - 10 January</b>	Seventh Meeting of the Open Working Group on SDGs (OWG 7)	New York City, U.S.
<b>01 - 04 February</b>	First Annual Sustainable Development Implementation Forum	Incheon, Korea (South)
<b>More info to follow</b>	RESPONDER conference	Brussels, Belgium
<b>08 - 11 June</b>	GRF-SPC global research conference	Shanghai, China
<b>16 - 18 June</b>	Gronen research conference	Helsinki, Finland
<b>18 - 20 June</b>	ISDRS' 20th Annual conference	Trondheim, Norway
<b>19 - 21 June</b>	The Greening of Everyday Life: Reimagining Environmentalism in Postindustrial Societies	Munich, Germany
<b>23 - 27 June</b>	The 23rd IAPS Conference	Timisoara, Romania
<b>01 - 03 July</b>	Norwich Conference on Earth System Governance	Norwich, England
<b>04 - 05 July</b>	5th ICAR symposium	Kiel, Germany
<b>07 th of July</b>	The Annual Event of the Virtual Community on Sustainability and Consumption 2014 - pre-conference in connection with the 28th ICAP	Paris, France
<b>08 - 13 July</b>	The 28th International Congress of Applied Psychology (ICAP) 2014	Paris, France
<b>27 - 29 August</b>	5th International Sustainability Transitions (IST) Conference	Utrecht, The Netherlands
<b>10 - 12 November</b>	World Conference on Education for Sustainable Development	Nagoya, Japan

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