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Polycentric Circles
The Ostrom Workshop Bi-Weekly Newsletter

News and Events

Ostrom Workshop to Host Panel at the IASC General Conference

The Ostrom Workshop and the IASC: Looking back and Looking Ahead with New Opportunities for IASC Members

This webinar will introduce you to the history of the Ostrom Workshop and its current structure, working groups, research programs and opportunities for both junior and senior scholars, as well as practitioners. In particular, the webinar will focus on the opportunity that the Ostrom Workshop offers to academic career building and practitioner exchange. Click here for full conference information.

Commons Governance Program Director
Search Continues
The College of Arts and Sciences, O'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs, the Hamilton-Lugar School of Global and International Studies, and the Ostrom Workshop at Indiana University (IU) Bloomington invite applications for a tenure-track position in commons governance at the advanced assistant, associate, or full professor level, to begin Fall 2022. The successful candidate will have an academic home in one, or potentially more than one, of the above-listed academic units and Departments, along with serving as the Director of the Ostrom Workshop's Commons Program. Applications will be accepted until October 15th.

**Title:** Assistant/Associate/Professor & Director of the Ostrom Workshop's Commons Governance Program

**Application link**

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**Ostrom Lecture Series in Full Swing Virtually via Zoom**

**Colloquium Series Continues Every Monday at Noon**

- **October 11**, with Art Carden, Samford University, presenting a paper titled "Consumer Sovereignty and W.H. Hutt's Critique of the Color Bar"
- **October 18**, with Ruth Meinzen-Dick, International Food and Policy Research Institute, presenting a paper titled "Migration and Gender Dynamics in Irrigation Governance in Nepal"

Click here for the entire Colloquium Series schedule and Zoom information.

**Wednesday Research Series Presents Two Special Presentations on October 27**

- **October 20**, with visiting scholar Jane Sell, Texas A & M, presenting a paper titled "When Might Forgiveness Help Solve Social Dilemmas?"
- **October 27, 12 - 1:00 PM EST, Ostrom Book Club**, with Erik Nordman, Grand Valley State University, discussing his new book "The Uncommon Knowledge of Elinor Ostrom: Essential Lessons for Collective Action"]
Teaching the Commons Video Contest

Calling all commoners, practitioners, academics, and students! This year’s World Commons Week will be held on December 6th-12th and follows a different format this year: A "Teaching the Commons" video contest!

Entries should be a video of 3-5 minutes long to communicate or teach commons terminology, concepts, or research progress to one of three different audience categories:

- children (primary school age),
- secondary (secondary/high school age),
- university undergraduate and graduate students

Deadline for submissions is November 15, 2021. For more information visit https://wcw2021.iasc-commons.org/

Ostrom Workshop Executive Director Quoted in News Reports on Cybersecurity

Ostrom Workshop Executive Director, Scott Shackelford, was recently quoted on two Indianapolis news station reports. The reports addressing the cybersecurity considerations of using Indy Vax Pass, a digital pass used to show COVID vaccine status at concert events, was reported on both CBS4 and Fox59. Link

Cybersecurity Policy Bootcamp Presented by Indiana University in Collaboration with the Institutes Griffith Insurance Education Foundation
The Cybersecurity Policy Bootcamp, presented by Indiana University in collaboration with The Institutes Griffith Insurance Education Foundation, focuses on cybersecurity risk management with the goal of providing context for policymakers and their staffs. The bootcamp will address cyber risk insurance, privacy regulation, critical infrastructure protection and ransomware mitigation, supply chain cybersecurity, safe harbor laws and defining 'reasonable' cybersecurity, along with the Internet of Things and AI regulations. Click here for more information.

Social-Ecological Systems Institute Announces Series of Interactive Sessions

One year after its founding, Leuphana University's Social-Ecological Systems Institute wants to share its work with the world. They are a group of researchers with diverse disciplinary backgrounds who investigate interconnections between nature and people and develop new approaches to gain a better understanding of social-ecological systems all around the world.

Between October 2021 and February 2022, PhD students, postdocs, and professors will present their work in 4 interactive sessions:

- **October 21st**, 2pm CET, talk & discussion: Starting a conversation: key themes of social-ecological systems research at Leuphana University. With Berta Martín-López and Joern Fischer.
- **November 18th**, 2pm CET, speed talks & panel discussion: A caring ethos in transdisciplinary sustainability science: a dialogue. With Berta Martín-López, Isabel Díaz Reviriego, and David Lam.
- **February 10th**, 2pm CET, speed talks & panel discussion: What is biocultural diversity and why should we care? With Jan Hanspach, Camila Benavides Frias, Stefan Ortiz Przychodzka, and Isabel Díaz Reviriego.

Join us online to discuss, exchange ideas, and start a global conversation about social-ecological systems!

To get the zoom credentials you can either send us an e-mail to SES.global.conversation@leuphana.de or register for the event, click here:

Opportunities

The Energy Justice Lab is Looking to Hire Research Assistants

The Energy Justice Lab at Indiana University is looking to hire research assistants to join
With a grant provided by the JPB Foundation, the team is preparing a utility disconnection dashboard to help address the problem of energy insecurity and utility disconnections in the US. The dashboard will include information on both utility disconnection protections in place across the country and actual disconnection data from utilities. The dashboard will be public-facing and interactive. As part of this effort, they are gathering legal and utility data, web scraping, filing Freedom of Information Act requests, working with Geographic Information Systems (GIS), and creating interactive web-based maps. They are seeking several members to join their team. All team members need to possess the following skills: hard-working, team player, strong communication abilities, dependable, and flexible.

They are seeking research assistants for the following roles:

- **Data science**: requires data management experience and programming. GIS skills are an added bonus.
- **Legal research**: requires experience looking up state legislation and regulatory code, documenting policy detail, and evaluating policy content.
- **Public affairs/policy research**: requires data management experience and familiarity with Freedom of Information Act requests. GIS skills are an added bonus.

The Energy Justice Lab has a commitment to diversity and inclusion, and welcome applications from students from historically under-represented populations. Graduate and undergraduate students are encouraged to apply.

If you are interested in being considered for one of these positions, please send David Konisky (dkonisky@indiana.edu) and Sanya Carley (scarley@indiana.edu) an email with your cover letter and resume. Please submit applications by October 18 for full consideration.

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**Faculty Positions Open at The Water School at Florida Gulf Coast University**

Cluster Hire: The Water School at Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU) invites nominations and applications for faculty positions across a range of disciplines related to water and the environment. The Water School is an interdisciplinary enterprise that brings together faculty from five colleges and schools. For positions and application information click here.

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**Publications**

**German Newspaper Publishes Interview with Interim Commons Director Insa Theesfeld**
In connection with her stay and interim position as Director of the Commons Governance Program, the Energy and Climate section of the German newspaper Tagesspiegel published an interview with Insa Theesfeld. Link.


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