

Who should run the countryside?

Date: Wednesday 16 November 2011

Location: The Sage, Gateshead

The Conference Programme has been designed to enable delegates to participate in a variety of debates, workshops and interactive project activities as well as a chance to meet socially. We don't want you to come and sit in the hall for seven hours. We have arranged the agenda so that you can pop in and out of debates and workshops and join Relu researchers in a variety fascinating hands-on projects.

Timetable

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| 09.30 | Registration and coffee Hall 2 Bar area |
| 10.00-10.45 | Welcome and introduction to the day (Hall 2 -- will include a 10 minute film) Philip Lowe |
| 10.50-11.50 | The Big Debate 1 (Hall 2) Food security v environmental responsibility – which should take precedence? <i>Chaired by food writer and campaigner Geoff Tansey</i> |
| 11.55-12.55 | Workshop 1 (Room C2) Who owns animal health: the farmer or the state? <i>Chaired by rural affairs journalist Mark Holdstock</i> (Pre-registration required) |
| 12.15-12.45 | Relu Film Show (Hall 2) |
| 13.00-14.00 | The Big Debate 2 (Hall 2) 21 st Century land ownership: a responsibility or a privilege? <i>Chaired by crossbencher Lord Haskins</i> |
| 14.05-15.05 | Workshop 2 (Room C2) Environmental modelling: master or servant? <i>Chaired by rural affairs journalist Mark Holdstock</i> (Pre-registration required) |
| 14.15-14.45 | Music Performance (Hall 2) |
| 15.10-16.10 | The Big Debate 3 (Hall 2) Can protecting your countryside save the earth? <i>Chaired by Guardian journalist Peter Hetherington</i> |
| 16.15-17.00 | Conference round-up (Hall 2 – will include film show and award ceremony of the <i>Relu Awards</i>) |
| 17.00 | Drink reception (Hall 2 Bar area) |

Where to find things

- Plenary sessions and the debates will be held in **Hall 2**
- Workshops on animal disease and environmental modelling and any other mini workshops will be held in **Room C2**
- Interactive Project Activities run by Relu researchers and all-day refreshments will be in the **Barbour Room Exhibition Area**.

- Film shows – delegates will be able to see and vote for the four films which have made it through to the finals of the Relu Film Competition. Films can be seen in the **Barbour Room East balcony area** throughout the day or in **Hall 2** from 12.15 – 12.45. Voting takes place throughout the day. To cast your vote go to the Relu Reception Desk. The two winners will be announced at the *Relu Awards* at 5pm.