



Friday 21st January 2005, Birmingham City Centre Holiday Inn

09.00 - 10.30 PARALLEL SESSION 5

Integrated Food Chains: Research Challenges

Chair: John Lloyd Jones

The session will be attended by researchers from the Food Chain Research Projects within RELU. It will comprise a number of synoptic presentations addressing key food chain research challenges:

Professor Henry Buller and Professor Mike Winter, University of Exeter: *Overview of integrated food chain research: where are we now?*

Professor Wyn Grant, University of Warwick: *Governance - ownership, policy, regulation*

Professor Gareth Edwards-Jones, University of Wales, Bangor: *People - consumers, economics, communities*

Dr Dave Chadwick, Institute of Grassland and Environmental Research: *Environment and land use*

People and the Rural Environment: Research Challenges

Chair: Professor Louise Heathwaite

The session will be attended by researchers from the Scoping Studies, Capacity Building Awards and Development Activity projects within RELU. It will comprise a number of synoptic presentations drawing on the work and ideas of clusters of RELU projects:

Professor Paul Selman, University of Sheffield: *Landscape as an integrating framework*

Professor Clive Spash, Macaulay Institute: *Sustainable catchment management*

Dr Christine Watson, Scottish Agricultural College: *Soils as an integrating perspective in sustainable agriculture*

10.30 - 10.50 Coffee

10.50 - 12.30 PLENARY SESSION 4

Chair: Professor Philip Lowe

Keynote Address 7

Sir Howard Newby, Chief Executive, Higher Education Funding Council for England
Why interdisciplinary research: the challenges and the obstacles

Panellists

Professor Ian Diamond AcSS, Chief Executive
Professor Julia Goodfellow, Chief Executive
Professor Sir John Lawton CBE FRS, Chief Executive

Discussion



9.30 - 10.00

10.00 - 13.00

11.15 - 11.50

13.00 - 14.15

14.15 - 17.30

15.25 - 15.50

17.45 - 18.45

**Rural Economy and Land Use:
The Challenge for Research**

Wednesday 19th January 2005,
Millennium Point Theatre,
Birmingham

Coffee and Registration

PLENARY SESSION 1

Chair: Sir John Marsh

Ministerial Address

Lord Whitty of Camberwell, Minister for Farming, Food and Sustainable Energy, *Rural economy and land use: the governmental challenge*

Professor Philip Lowe, RELU Director, *Introducing the Rural Economy and Land Use Programme*

Coffee

Keynote Address 1

Professor Mike Bonell, Director of UNESCO Programme on Hydrology for Environment, Life and Policy, *The scientific challenge*

Keynote Address 2

Dame Deirdre Hutton, Chair of the National Food Chain Centre, *The public challenge*

Lunch

PLENARY SESSION 2

Chair: Professor Jeff Waage

Keynote Address 3

Dr Andrew Moxey, Chief Rural Economist, SEERAD, *Science policy for rural economy and land use*

Keynote Address 4

Professor Dianna Bowles, Director of the Centre for Novel Agricultural Products (CNAP), University of York, *Science for sustainable development*

Tea

Panellists

Professor Sally Shortall, Director of the Gibson Institute for Land, Food and Environment, *A rural community perspective*

Dr Peter Costigan, Defra's Natural Resources and Rural Affairs Science Coordinator, *A food and land use perspective*

Bob Harris, Head of Air, Land and Water Science, Environment Agency, *An environmental management perspective*

Mark Tinsley, Managing Director, P.C.Tinsley Ltd, *A land manager's perspective*

Discussion

Drinks Reception





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9.00 - 10.30 PARALLEL SESSION 1

Policy Workshop Biodiversity and Land Use

Chair: Professor Gareth Edwards-Jones

Dr Keith Duff, Chief Scientist, English Nature

Dr Richard Ferris, Biodiversity Research Coordination Officer, Joint Nature Conservation Committee
Dr Simon Bilsborough, Senior Economist, Countryside Council for Wales

Data Management Workshop 1

Led by Louise Corti, RELU Data Support Service

Interdisciplinary Workshop 1

Led by Dr Sandra Bell, University of Durham

10.30 - 10.50 Coffee

10.50 - 12.20 PARALLEL SESSION 2

Policy Workshop CAP Reform

Chair: Professor Wyn Grant

Alastair Rutherford, Head of Agriculture, English Nature
Professor Allan Buckwell, Country Land and Business Association

Data Management Workshop 2

Led by Louise Corti, RELU Data Support Service

Interdisciplinary Workshop 2

Led by Dr Sandra Bell, University of Durham

12.20 - 13.20 Lunch

13.20 - 14.50 PARALLEL SESSION 3

Policy Workshop Water Framework Directive

Chair: Dr Dave Chadwick

Jonathan Fisher, Senior Water Economist, Environment Agency
Jacob Tompkins, Policy Development Advisor, Water UK
Daniel Instone, Head of Water Quality Division, Defra

Policy Workshop UK Food Policy: Implications for RELU

Chair: Professor Henry Buller

Dr Andrew Moxey, Head of Analytical Services Division, SEERAD
Philip Andrews, Defra
Helen Dunn, Defra

Interdisciplinary Workshop 3

Led by Dr Sandra Bell, University of Durham

14.50 - 15.10 Tea



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15.10 - 16.40 PARALLEL SESSION 4

Integrated Food Chains: Research Review

Chair: John Lloyd Jones

The session will be attended by researchers from RELU Food Chain Research Projects and will comprise a series of short project introductions.

Dr Gary Barker, BBSRC: *Tools for assessing and managing food chain risks*

Dr Dave Chadwick, Institute of Grassland and Environmental Research: *Sustainable and holistic food chains for recycling livestock waste to land*

Professor Henry Buller, University of Exeter: *The links between quality food production and biodiversity protection*

Professor Wyn Grant, University of Warwick: *Biological alternatives to chemical pesticide inputs in the food chain - environmental and regulatory sustainability*

Dr Alastair Bailey, Imperial College, London: *Adoption of alternative pest management strategies in field crop systems*

Professor Gareth Edwards-Jones, University of Wales, Bangor: *Assessment of environmental, community and nutritional impacts of consuming fruit and vegetables produced locally and overseas*

Professor Bruce Traill, University of Reading: *Implications of a nutrition driven food policy for land use and the rural environment*

Dr David Little, Stirling University: *Warmwater fish production as a niche production and market diversification strategy*

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Professor David Raffaelli, University of York: *RELU - The international context*

Dr Fergus Lyon, Middlesex University: *Farm-centred learning in rural development*

Dr Piran White, University of York: *Integrating spatial data*

16.50 - 17.50 PLENARY SESSION 3

Chair: Professor Maggie Gill

Keynote Address 5

Professor Joyce Tait, Director, ESRC Innogen Centre, *Interdisciplinary rural research: learning the lessons from previous collaborative programmes between social and natural scientists*

Keynote Address 6

Dr Anna Jöborn, Head of Programmes, Department of Political Science, Göteborg University, *An international perspective on interdisciplinary research*

20.00 Conference Dinner

