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#### Highlights

##### **01\ Creating a Sustainable Mobility Culture**

How can a sustainable mobility culture that is focussed on an intelligent combination of means of transport be established in cities? Which matters must be considered with regard to culture, communication and planning for change of the culture of mobility? The new research project aims at developing an integrative concept for a sustainable mobility culture, that allows the attainable results to be adapted to a metropolis like Frankfurt/Main and to be furthermore generalisable for other cities. Read more about the new project:

<http://www.isoe.de/english/projects/mobcultf.htm>

##### **02\ Integrated Water Resources Management as an International Challenge**

Two new cooperation projects analyse the potentials of an integrated water resources management focusing on examples from Northern Namibia and Central Iran:

The preliminary study "Integrated Water Resources Management in Northern Namibia (Cuvelai-Delta)", conducted by the Institute for Social-Ecological Research in cooperation with the Institute for Geography of the University of Frankfurt/Main, is intended to analyse possibilities for the development and implementation of a concept for integrated water resources management.

<http://www.isoe.de/english/projects/iwrmf.htm>

Having its source in the Zagros Mountains, the Zayandeh Rud is the highest volume river in (semi-) arid Central Iran. Nevertheless, in view of the resources present in the river's basin the water management in this region has become an area of conflict between different actors, a conflict, moreover, that has exacerbated in recent years.

<http://www.isoe.de/english/projects/iraniwrmf.htm>

### **03\ Mobile Organic Foreign Substances in Rivers: Hardly Assessable Risks**

The hazardous potential of mobile organic foreign substances in rivers (MOF) for nature and society marks the starting point for the new research project by the network of competence MOMUS. The integrated analysis of MOF aims at providing knowledge, tools and methods for an adequate assessment of the hazardous potential of MOF on a scientifically sound basis. For more details see:

<http://www.isoe.de/english/projects/intaferef.htm>

### **04\ Implementing Gender Mainstreaming: National Park Eifel as Pilot Project**

How is it possible to introduce gender mainstreaming into the diverse fields of activity of a National Park? What sort of conceptual framework and which instruments are needed to enable the employees of the National Park to permanently incorporate gender aspects into their activities? And how is it possible to revise the instruments developed for the National Park with regard to their transferability for the long-term application in other fields of activity within the responsible Ministry and furthermore in other German National Parks? The research project scientifically monitors the introduction of the gender mainstreaming strategy within the Ministry for Environment and Nature Protection, Agriculture and Consumer Protection of North Rhine-Westphalia as exemplified by the National Park Eifel. Further information available under:

<http://www.isoe.de/english/projects/nrwgenderf.htm>

### **05\ Rhetoric And Realities Analysing Corporate Social Responsibility in Europe**

A multi-disciplinary team of 16 researchers, scientists and consultants from seven leading research institutions from across the EU are taking part in a project aiming at a substantial contribution to the development of a European approach to Corporate Social Responsibility. Funded within the EU's Sixth Framework Programme the project aims to improve the understanding of the effectiveness of Corporate Social Responsibility as a policy instrument and how it can actually benefit sustainable development in the EU. Project Website:

<http://www.rare-eu.net>

Project description as pdf-file:

<http://www.isoe.de/ftp/rare.pdf>

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## **New Publications and Downloads**

### **06\ Criteria for Sustainable Development Research**

Why are criteria for sustainable development research needed and how is sustainable development research characterised? The presentation Thomas Jahn gave at the French-German seminar "Science et technologie pour le développement durable / Research and Technology for a sustainable development" in Paris is available for download:

[http://www.isoe.de/ftp/tagungen/thj\\_Paris230604.pdf](http://www.isoe.de/ftp/tagungen/thj_Paris230604.pdf)

### **07\ Societal Relations to Nature**

The article "Societal Relations to Nature. Outline of a Critical Theory in the Ecological Crisis" by Egon Becker and Thomas Jahn, which was published in German in "Kritische Theorie der Technik und der Natur", edited by Gernot Boehme and Alexandra Manzei, is now available in English.

Download under:

[http://www.isoe.de/ftp/darmstadttext\\_engl.pdf](http://www.isoe.de/ftp/darmstadttext_engl.pdf)

### **08\ Exploring Uncommon Ground: Sustainability as a Concept for the Social Sciences**

The article by Egon Becker, Thomas Jahn and Immanuel Stiess, published in "Sustainability and the Social Sciences. A Cross-Disciplinary Approach to Integrating Environmental Considerations into Theoretical Reorientation", edited by Egon Becker and Thomas Jahn, is also available in English for download:

<http://www.isoe.de/ftp/ZedBooks.pdf>

You will find an overview of the complete publication under:

<http://www.isoe.de/english/public/unsecof.htm>

### **09\ Instrument "Gender Impact Assessment" for Download**

The instrument "Gender Impact Assessment" (GIA) has been developed for the portfolio of the Federal Environment Ministry (BMU) and is designed to support the introduction of the gender mainstreaming strategy in environmental policy. This concept is based on the assumption that there is no such thing as a gender-neutral reality, and that therefore, the differing life situations and interests of women and men should be taken into account from the outset and regularly in all societal measures. Download of the instrument:

[http://www.isoe.de/ftp/ISOE\\_GIA\\_Prototype\\_e.pdf](http://www.isoe.de/ftp/ISOE_GIA_Prototype_e.pdf)

The instrument "Gender Impact Assessment" and its implementation is also introduced in the brochure "Gender Mainstreaming in Germany", which has been edited by Genanet on the occasion of the UNEP Global Women's Assembly on Environment and the Network of Women Ministers for the Environment Conference, in Nairobi in October last year. The brochure can be downloaded or ordered under:

<http://www.genanet.de/publikationen+M52087573ab0.html>

#### **10\ Implementation of Gender Mainstreaming in the Practice of Environmental Policy**

The summary of the final report of the project "Scientific Consultants for the Introduction of Gender Mainstreaming in the Daily Practice of the Federal Ministry for Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety" is now available in English:

[http://www.isoe.de/ftp/hay\\_is\\_gia\\_bmushort.pdf](http://www.isoe.de/ftp/hay_is_gia_bmushort.pdf)

Best Practices of Gender Impact Assessment implementations are also described in the concluding report of the project "Gender Impact Assessment in the Field of Radiation Protection and Environment":

[http://www.isoe.de/ftp/GIAI\\_concluding\\_report.pdf](http://www.isoe.de/ftp/GIAI_concluding_report.pdf).

#### **11\ Leisure Travel, Tourism Travel and the Environment**

Steffi Schubert gave a presentation on "Mobility-Styles in Leisure-Time - a Lifestyle-Approach for a better Understanding and Shaping of Leisure-Mobility" at the OECD-Workshop "Leisure Travel, Tourism Travel and the Environment" in November last year. The lecture is available for download:

[http://www.isoe.de/ftp/tagungen/schu\\_oecd04.pdf](http://www.isoe.de/ftp/tagungen/schu_oecd04.pdf)

The complete documentation of the OECD-Workshop is available under:

[http://www.oecd.org/document/47/0,2340,en\\_2649\\_34363\\_34024047\\_1\\_1\\_1\\_1,00.html](http://www.oecd.org/document/47/0,2340,en_2649_34363_34024047_1_1_1_1,00.html)

#### **12\ Space-Sensibility of Different Leisure-Life-Styles**

At the international congress of the postgraduate research and study programme on urban ecology "Facing the Challenge of Urban Diversity - Integrative Approaches to Urban Ecology" Konrad Goetz gave a presentation on "Space-Sensibility of Different Leisure-Life-Styles". Download under:

[http://www.isoe.de/ftp/tagungen/Kog\\_berlin\\_nov04.pdf](http://www.isoe.de/ftp/tagungen/Kog_berlin_nov04.pdf)

#### **13\ Nutrition Styles in Everyday Life**

In the joint research project "food change" the Institute for Social-Ecological Research analyses the way nutrition is embedded in the everyday life of consumers in Germany. The empirical study of the various nutrition styles that were identified was presented on the international symposium "9th Karlsruhe Nutrition Congress: Consumer and Nutrition - Challenges and Chances for Research and Society" by Immanuel Stiess. The English poster is ready for download:

[http://www.isoe.de/ftp/tagungen/poster\\_ernwend.pdf](http://www.isoe.de/ftp/tagungen/poster_ernwend.pdf)

Further information on the project:

<http://www.isoe.de/english/projects/ernaehrf.htm>

#### **14\ New Discussion Papers Published by the Project *demons***

Three new working papers have been published in the project "*demons* - Demographic Trends, Needs, and Supply Systems" A summary of working paper 2 "Supply Systems as Subjects of Social-Ecological Research: Food and Water." in English can be found under:

[http://www.isoe.de/ftp/demons\\_wp2\\_sum.pdf](http://www.isoe.de/ftp/demons_wp2_sum.pdf)

For working paper 3 "Social-Ecological Regulations" and working paper 4 "Examination of the concept of "Great Transition" within the project *demons* " English abstracts are available under:

<http://www.isoe.de/english/public/demonswpf.htm>

A project flyer in English is also available for download:

[http://www.isoe.de/ftp/demons\\_flyer\\_e.pdf](http://www.isoe.de/ftp/demons_flyer_e.pdf)

### 15\ Den Haag Foresight-Workshop on European Rivers

At the workshop "Present Needs Future Options - Foresight Transnational Watermanagement and - policies" Stefan Liehr presented "Two Transnational Water Issues - Mobile Substances and Wastewater Systems". The presentation points out the two water issues which have particular importance for transnational foresight processes. The slides and the concept paper can be downloaded under:

[http://www.iso.e.de/ftp/tagungen/SL\\_DenHaag04\\_Slides.pdf](http://www.iso.e.de/ftp/tagungen/SL_DenHaag04_Slides.pdf)

[http://www.iso.e.de/ftp/tagungen/SL\\_DenHaag04\\_conceptpaper.pdf](http://www.iso.e.de/ftp/tagungen/SL_DenHaag04_conceptpaper.pdf)

### 16\ Integrated Water Quality Management - Development of a Social-Ecological Approach

Presentation given by Stefan Liehr at the German Research Foundation DFG. The presentation is ready for download under:

[http://www.iso.e.de/ftp/tagungen/SL\\_DFG\\_WS2004.pdf](http://www.iso.e.de/ftp/tagungen/SL_DFG_WS2004.pdf)

### 17\ Urban Infrastructure in Transition: What Can We Learn from History?

On the occasion of the 6th International Summer Academy on Technological Studies Engelbert Schramm gave a review on the privatisation of German urban water infrastructure in the 19th and 21st century. His presentation is available for download:

<http://www.iso.e.de/ftp/ESDLandsberg.pdf>

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