



2008 IPS Pre-Congress Workshop

August 2, 2008

Conservation Education Forum: Ideas, Achievements & Future Goals

organised by

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The workshop is open to anyone interested in attending.

Background and Aims of the Workshop:

People preserve biodiversity because of their attitudes toward nature, learned from family, society and schooling. Education has a crucial role to play in both environmental and social agendas (Van Petegam & Blicek 2006). Attitudes of responsibility, sensitivity, empathy towards living things and ethical decision-making can be fostered through the study of ecology and conservation in both formal and informal environmental education.

Many conservation-education projects exist in and around areas maintaining rare and endangered species, often using primates as their “flagships” However, these projects and the individuals running them are often isolated in their work as well as geographically. There are not many opportunities to share both their successes and also what doesn’t work in their project with other practitioners, or to analyse why some projects or aspects of projects are more successful than others. Moreover, conservation-education projects across the world develop and produce educational resources for their communities. Many of the goals and ideas, as well as some of the actual resources could be shared with other conservation-education projects to avoid having to ‘reinvent the wheel’ each time.

The aim of this workshop is to provide a forum for exchange of ideas and for sharing successful strategies (best practices) and failures, and to analyse why these might have occurred. Shared best practices and avoidance of previously made mistakes will enhance existing projects. The workshop also aims to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas about developed resources (e.g., posters, booklets, teacher’s handbooks, children’s books, etc.) and explore the consideration of these resources as “share-ware” with other projects.

The exchange of information at a forum of this kind should substantially enhance the progress of conservation-education projects and strengthen ties to the communities in which they work.

Reference cited:

Van Petegam, P. and Blicek, A. (2006) The environmental worldview of children: a cross-cultural perspective, *Environmental Education Research*, 12, 625-635.

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Preliminary Schedule: August 2, 2008

8:30-9:00am	<i>Coffee/Tea/Registration</i>
9:00-9:15am	Welcome and Introduction to the Workshop: The Organizers
9:15-10:30am	Individual Projects Present Their Successes and Difficulties
10:30-11:00am	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
11:00-12:30pm	Resources & Materials Developed by and for Projects
12:30-2:00pm	<i>Lunch (provided by workshop)</i>
2:00-3:00pm	Breakout Groups to Discuss Possible Collaborations and Exchange Amongst Existing Projects
3:00-3:30pm	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
3:30-4:00pm	Summary of Breakout Group's Discussions
4:00-4:30pm	Discussion: Obtaining Financial Support for Projects
4:30-4:55pm	Summary of Discussion and Steps to Achieve Future Goals
4:55-5:00pm	Conclusions and Thanks to All Participants in the Workshop

Please complete the registration form below and email or post to:

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Workshop Date and Time:

August 2, 2008; 9:00am to 5:00pm

Location & Venue:

The University of Edinburgh, 7 George Square, The Psychology Building, Room B.21
EH8 9JZ. It is approximately 1.6 miles from the conference site itself.

Maps to location of meeting:

<http://www.ed.ac.uk/maps/places/>

Cost per participant: £14.00 (payment by cheque only to The University of Winchester)

Costs to participants are for a vegetarian lunch and tea/coffee/biscuits on three breaks.

Accommodation options:

We recommend to our workshop participants that they reserve their hotel or university accommodation for one night prior to the beginning of the IPS conference to be able to attend this workshop.

Website:

Details of this pre-conference workshop are available on the IPS *Pre-conference Workshops* webpage

<http://www.ips2008.co.uk/PrecongressDetail.html#ConservationEducationForum>

Registration forms, details of the workshop and a preliminary schedule are located on the Berenty Website (University of Winchester website)

<http://www.winchester.ac.uk/?page=8826>

Registration for the PreConference Workshop:

- ❖ The deadline for registering as a participant who wish to exhibit materials is by **March 31, 2008**.
- ❖ The deadline for registering as a participant in the workshop is by **June 2, 2008**



REGISTRATION FORM
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NAME (BLOCK LETTERS or TYPED): _____

TITLE: (Please circle one) Professor Dr. Mr. Ms. Miss

AFFILIATION: _____

NAME & AFFILIATION as you would like them to appear on your name badge:

ADDRESS: _____

POST/ZIP CODE: _____ COUNTRY: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER (day): _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER (evening): _____

MOBILE/CELL PH#: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

ACCOMODATION/ADDRESS in Edinburgh while attending 2008 IPS conference:

_____ TEL. _____

Do you plan to present educational materials and/or a poster at the workshop? YES NO

PRESENTATION of EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS at pre-conference workshop:
(please tick all that apply)

- PowerPoint presentation
- poster/s
- books
- other materials

DISPLAY REQUIREMENTS OF EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS:

→ **A computer, screen and LCD projector will be available at the venue.**

Please give details of audio-visual and/or other requirements for display:
(please tick all that apply)

- DVD player
- CD player
- poster board (please bring your own thumbtacks and bluetack)
- table

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Do you require a receipt? YES NO

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