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**Variedades de Economía Ecológica:
Avanzando hacia Alternativas para los
Pueblos y Ecosistemas en América Latina**

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The Mesoamerican Society for Ecological Economics

Invite to participate in the **Mesoamerican Society for Ecological Economics 2nd International Congress**

“EcoEco Alternatives: *Varieties of Ecological Economics: Advancing Towards Alternatives for People and Ecosystems in Latin America*”

Why is this Congress Important for Latin America?

**Save the
Date!**

The Mesoamerican region lives a reality in which reproduces many of the trends that affect Latin America as a whole. The importance of emerging economies has caused a rise in prices of primary products which has caused a “reprimarization” of our economies that promotes environmental highly degrading activities, such as open pit mining, or intense production of monocrops.

Political agendas in the region have been polarized, on one side some look to overcome the social polarization problems generated by the predominance of conservative tendencies of the last two decades of the past century. On the other hand, there are others that try to deal with public safety problems caused by that polarization without recognizing the need to deal with the problem from the roots. In this sense, the breakdown of traditional power model of North-South relations has not resulted in a true regional enhancement of profound environmental policies that supplement social policies.

The importance of the region's strategic resources (water, biodiversity, forests, minerals, energy resources, etc...) has increased its pressure from their use. The approach used to solve these situations is the Green Economy approach, which is promoted as part of the latest trends to revitalize notions such as sustainable development.

This has made visible the socio-environmental conflicts resulting from the pressure on these resources and strategic ecosystems by various economic interests to the detriment of the interests of local communities, and therefore the region is home to some of the most progressive trends of thought on “alterglobalism” and new environmentalism. **Studying, understanding and addressing this conflictivity lie within the cutting edge fields for socio-environmental scientists, institutions and people of the region.**

Within this framework, **the Ecological Economics proposes a variety of alternatives** that come from its various schools and transdisciplinary nature of **seeking solutions to problems that generate conflicts, tailored to the needs of each context** and with it, a diversity of theoretical and applied tools. Also, various disciplinary and multidisciplinary sciences and local knowledge advance in the application of various tools sometimes complementary, sometimes contrasting to Ecological Economics and Political Ecology approaches.

Congress Topics: “EcoEco Alternatives 2014”

1) *Ecological Economies*

1. Public Policies Alternatives: Between Green Economy and Ecological Economics;
2. Ecological Economics Valuation and Valuation Languages;
3. The Breakdown of the North-South Model of International Relations and the Environment: BRICS, Ecological Debt and Alterglobalism;
4. Ecological Macroeconomic Accounting: A Viable Option?
5. Ecological Economics and Gender in Meso-America, Latin America, Spain, Portugal and the Caribbean

2) *Production and Services: Economic-Ecological Alternative Models*

1. Sustainable Agricultural Alternatives and Food Safety;
2. The Forgotten Wealth: Sustainable Proposals for Coast-Marine Resources in Meso-America, Latin America, Spain, Portugal and the Caribbean
3. Industry and Sustainability the Current Latin-American Context;
4. Tourism and Sustainability in Perspective;
5. Technological Alternatives and Local Knowledge: Rescuing all type of knowledge;

3) *Socio-Environmental Conflicts, Markets and Other Social Institutions*

1. Socio-Environmental Conflicts: Political Ecology Tools to Address the Reprimarization of Meso-American, Latin American, Spain, Portugal and Caribbean Economies;
2. Free Trade VS Fair Trade: Evaluating the Experiences;
3. Incentives or Rights: Between Payments for Environmental Services and Alternatives for Environmental Management and Climate Change Adaption Rights;
4. Community Based Conservation Alternatives: Application in Forests, Wetlands and Hydrographic Watershed in Contrast to Traditional State and Private Solutions;
5. Education for Sustainability and the Reproduction of Institutional Models

Target Audience:

- ✓ **Professionals** in Ecological Economics, Environmental Economics, Political Ecology, Environmental Sciences and related;
- ✓ **College students** from fields related to Sustainability Sciences;
- ✓ **Faculty and Researchers** from fields related to Sustainability Sciences;
- ✓ **Institutional staff and Practitioners** from institutions that focus on Conservation, Production, Sustainable Services and related Topics;
- ✓ **Institutional staff and Practitioners** from private companies that focus on Conservation, Production, Sustainable Services, and related Topics;
- ✓ **Members from NGOs** from Meso-America, Latin America, Spain, Portugal and the Caribbean that focus on Conservation, Production, Sustainable Services, Corporate Environmental Responsibility, Climate Change and related Topics;
- ✓ **Community Leaders** whose work focus on Conservation, Production, Sustainable Services, and related Topics;
- ✓ **Mass Media** interested in providing training for their professionals in Conservation topics;



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Guideline

Presentation of **Papers:**

Send abstracts including:

- ✓ Paper Title
- ✓ Author's Name
- ✓ Institution or organization
- ✓ Address, Phone Number and E-Mail Address
- ✓ No more than 600 words
- ✓ 3 to 5 key words

Presentation of **Workshops:**

Send the following documents:

- ✓ Topic Abstract and Methodology. No more than 600 words.
- ✓ Workshop Facilitator's CV that includes: name, address, Phone Number and E-Mail address

Foreseen Methodology:

- ✓ 6 Plenary Talks (1 hour each)
- ✓ **120 Papers**
- ✓ **8 Workshops** (20 people each)
- ✓ 4 Fieldtrips (20 people each)
- ✓ **50 Posters**

What are Posters?

Attention: College Students!

It's a graphic representation of a research that allows the presenter to have a conversation with interested audience during the designated sessions .

(Same requirements as for papers)

Send documents to: ponencias@ecoecoalternativas.org

Deadline for Abstracts: July 31st 2013

Notification of Accepted Papers: September 6th 2013

Deadline for full papers: October 11th 2013

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In our Second Call on:

June 25th 2013.

More information on:

- ✓ Integration of Scientific Committees
- ✓ Registration Fees
- ✓ Pre-Conference Course