

Workshop: Small steps towards sustainability: exploring the distributed, fragmented and piecemeal aspects of socio-technical change

University of Greenwich, London, United Kingdom

June 20th 2016, Room Queen Anne QA210, 9:30am – 3:45pm

Programme

9.30 – 10.00 Coffee and Welcome

10.00 – 11.30 Session 1 - Sustainable technology, emerging global issues

10.00 – 10.05 Session introduction

10.05 – 10.30 Multi-level stakeholders' perspective towards achieving sustainable urban development in Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria.

Molly Williamson Jack, University of Greenwich

10.30 – 10.55 Energy and environment in India: Lurching from crisis to 'extreme' crisis in the electricity sector,

Dr S Peters, Queen Mary College

10.55 – 11.20 Re-engineering cultural “DNA” of an innovation in the process of adoption and diffusion: In the lens of adopters of an eco-innovation in Honghe UNESCO World Heritage Site in Yunnan, China.

Dr J Chan, Dr Y Zhang, Dr A M Coles, Dr X Qi, University of Greenwich

11.20 – 11.30 Discussion

11.30 – 1.00 Session 2 – International perspectives on agriculture

11.30 – 11.35 Session introduction

11.35 – 12.00 Activating complex sustainability transitions via “Participatory Innovation”: The case of agriculture in Valparaíso, Chile.

Dr Alfredo del Valle, Senior Researcher, Ceres Centre, Pontifical Catholic University of Valparaíso

12.00 – 12.25 European agroecological practices: Conforming – or transforming the dominant agro-food regime?

Dr Les Levidow, Open University

12.25 – 12.50 Small producers and learning in developing economy clusters: comparing the role of private and public intermediaries.

Dr Ian Clarke, University of Greenwich, Dr Matias Ramirez, University of Sussex

12.50 – 1.00 Discussion

- 1.00 – 1.45** **Lunch break**
- 1.45 – 3.30** **Session 3 – Sustainability as practice**
- 1.45 – 1.50 Session introduction
- 1.50 – 2.15 Sustainable transformation of higher education.
Simon Goldsmith, Head of Sustainability, University of Greenwich
- 2.15 – 2.40 Domesticating energy efficiency technologies: understanding the ‘adopter’
user-perspectives of UK homeowners occupying existing housing,
Rosita Aiesha, University of Greenwich
- 2.40 – 3.05 Network building and learning processes in sustainable niches: empirical
lessons from waste management projects in Central Europe.
Anton Sentic, University of Greenwich
- 3.05 – 3.30 Business models and governance arrangements for community renewable
energy: markets, communities and the public sector.
Dr Athena Piterou, University of Greenwich
- 3.30 – 3.45** **Closing discussion**