

PP4SD News



Calling all past PP4SD workshop participants

PP4SD is planning a unique and free event in December 2009 for all attendees of the PP4SD training sessions. This will be a great opportunity to get involved and give feedback on how the training has

been of use and what problems have been encountered. The results will be used to produce a second, intermediate level to PP4SD training courses.

SCI Project PP4SD have been involved in a project entitled *Improving sustainability skills and knowledge in the workplace*. The project was headed by Dr. Joanne Tippett of the Sustainable Consumption Institute at the University of Manchester in conjunction with Tesco. The objective was to identify effective training and communication methods to enable staff to understand sustainability issues and take action. As well as up-skilling Tesco staff, the project enabled development of learning which could be applied in other workplaces and contributed to further research on understanding the skills and staffing challenges of sustainability.

SocEnv Honorary Fellowship Award

PP4SD's Professor Steve Martin was awarded an Honorary Fellowship of the Society for the Environment's at their 4th Annual Reception on 17th June 2009, in recognition of his vital contribution to the early development of the Society.



Thinking & Acting Sustainably Workshop

This one-day workshop on 27th October in Bristol will bring together professionals from different areas to engage in practical activities and dialogue on sustainability and sustainable development. It is intended to explore ideas on how best to integrate sustainable development principles into professional practice. Facilitators from PP4SD will work with participants to develop methods for approaching and resolving environmental issues. They will base their teaching around the particular skills, experience and needs of the individual attendees. Please see the form at the end of this newsletter for further details on how to reserve your place.

Sustainability News

The Sustainable Development Commission (SDC) has released a major report entitled 'Prosperity Without Growth?' Its the result of a two year study into two objectives other than economic growth - sustainability and wellbeing – for greater prosperity.
<http://tiny.cc/ILn2F>

A joint consultation between HEFCE, Universities UK and GuildHE on developing a carbon reduction target and strategy for HE in England has been published.
<http://tiny.cc/E0LgH>

Universities are to be given targets for carbon reduction. The example universities set on carbon consumption have the potential to shape public opinion on the ease of tackling climate change.
<http://www.guardian.co.uk/education/2009/jul/21/universities-targets-carbon-reduction>

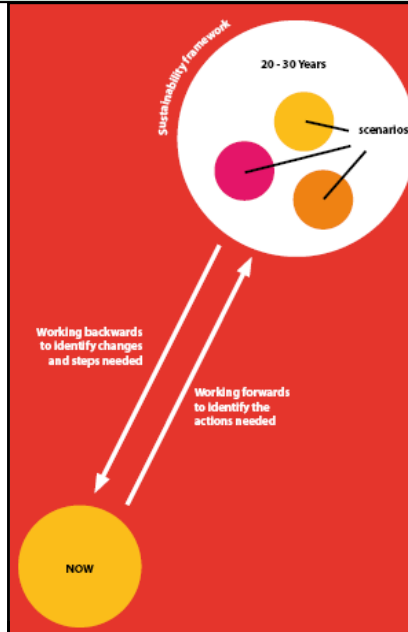
The SDC has unveiled 19 ideas which could help transform the UK into a more sustainable society.
<http://www.sd-commission.org.uk/pages/breakthroughs.html>

The Handbook of Sustainability Literacy, edited by Arran Stibbe, and containing chapters by PP4SD's Steve Martin and Glenn Strachan, will be of interest to a wide range of professionals and particularly those involved in teaching or communicating sustainability issues.
<http://greenbooks.co.uk/store/handbook-sustainability-literacy-p-318.html>

New PP4SD Manual for Sustainable Development workshops launched

PP4SD has launched a new training manual packed with materials for a one-day workshop on sustainable development. The manual, entitled *Thinking and Acting Sustainably: Profile of a 21st Century Professional* contains activities, slides, facilitator notes and acting as a guide for a full day of learning. The course is aimed at professionals working in all fields and follows a 'facilitated dialogue' method.

The manual and accompanying CD explore the key principles behind sustainability, including topics such as the business case for sustainability, joined-up thinking, the five capitals model and applying the systems approach. To order this manual or other PP4SD materials, please use the form at the end of this newsletter.



Description
<p>Aim To develop a vision for a sustainable profession / professional in five years' time.</p> <p>Objectives By the end of the session participants will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Use the outcomes from Drivers for Change and Joined up thinking and planning to prepare a vision of their sustainable profession / professional. ■ Carry forward practical ideas to the Action Planning activity. <p>Summary Participants create a vision of what they want their sustainable profession to be like in five years time. This vision will be used in the Action planning session to guide the planning of actions needed to achieve this vision.</p>

Events

15th - 17th September
All Our Futures 2: Getting Real - Investing in our Future. Plymouth.
<http://csf.plymouth.ac.uk/allourfutures/>

30th September - 2nd October
Education for Sustainability/ International Greening Education. Karlsruhe, Germany.
<http://www.etechgermany.com/GreeningEducationEvent.pdf>

28th - 31st October
Ecomondo. Rimini, Italy.
<http://en.ecomondo.com/fair/exposition/presentation.asp>

20th - 22nd January
The New Green Economy: Aligning Science, Education, Markets & Systems for Sustainability. Washington, USA
http://ncseonline.org/conference/green_economy

News from the Online Sustainability Special Interest Group (www.parnglobal.com)

Stephen and Maureen Martin pose the question: Should professional bodies address the issue of ethics and values, especially when putting sustainable development into practice? Their post suggests a fundamental review of the professions and their professional bodies focusing on the role they should play in the economy and society at large due to their growing social responsibility.

There is also a link to a recent talk by Jonathon Porritt on Sustainable Food and Farming.

Log on to vote on the issue of "Should CPD in sustainable development be mandatory for all professionals?"

To access the forum you will need a username and password, available by email from sarah@parnglobal.com.

All Our Futures 2: Getting Real - Investing in our Future



World-class keynote speakers and workshop leaders make this conference the key design event for educators, community and business in the South West in 2009, working to find practical solutions in a time of deep economic uncertainty, and drawing on the expertise of researchers, teachers and learners in the academic community.

<http://csf.plymouth.ac.uk/allourfutures/>

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Thinking and Acting Sustainably: a Profile of a 21st Century Professional

When: 10:00 to 16:30 27th October, 2009

Where: PARN, 16 Great George Street, Bristol, BS1 5RH

PERSONAL INFORMATION-----

Name	Email	Tel No
Job Title	Business/Organisation	Sector
Responsibilities		

Please note that this information is used to tailor the course to the participants' specifications, so please be as descriptive as possible.

PAYMENT OPTIONS-----

Please tick the correct amount to pay:



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I have rung 020 7730 5516 and paid by credit/debit card

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DIETARY REQUIREMENTS-----

A light lunch will be served. Please note any special dietary requirements:

Please email to enquiries@ies-uk.org.uk or post to Institution of Environmental Sciences, 38 Ebury Street, London, SW1W 0LU.

ORDER FORM FOR ADDITIONAL SUSTAINABILITY MATERIALS

Title	Quantity	Price per copy	Total
'Thinking & Acting Sustainably: A Model of a 21 st Century Professional' Training Course Manual		£12.99	
A Foundation Course in Sustainable Development for Professionals		£10.00	
'Changing Landscapes in Sustainability' Journal (Environmental Scientist)		£8.00	
POSTAGE & PACKING (UK prices – ring 020 7730 5516 for international postage)		£2 per item	
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