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Two INREF Proposals granted

Last week the good news came that both INREF proposals in which WIAS is involved were granted:

- RESCOPAR (Rebuilding Resilience of Coastal Populations and Aquatic Resources) is initiated by WIAS and further participants are from the graduate schools PE&RC, MGS, CERES and WIMEK/SENSE. More info from Roel Bosma and Paul van Zwieten.
- Competing Claims on Natural Resources is a (terrestrial) initiative from PE&RC. Further participants are WIAS, MGS, CERES and WIMEK/SENSE. More info from Henk Udo.

In the coming five years, several new PhD students will enter WIAS, sponsored by these two programmes.

Your PhD research on film? (Forwarded Request)

Dear PhD student/researcher

I am a master student, Media studies at the Hogeschool voor de Kunsten Utrecht, doing my final project. For this project I would like to produce a scientific documentary. It should be directed at an interested target audience but without being too abstract.

I am searching for researchers who just started their investigations and who think that their topic is interesting and possibly could be visualized.

It is a real challenge to try to visualize subject matter that seems to be rather difficult at first sight.

Depending on the topic, I expect that for the actual shooting we might need a few days but of course we need to talk a bit before filming.

The filming would be somewhere between January and April. This would encompass a serious interview in which you can describe the major research question, method and possibly results of your research. But an intrinsic component would be the filming of the research in action itself.

I would like to know, preferably by email, if you are interested to cooperate in such a project. The length of the film would be around 20 minutes and I would try to make the film suitable for broadcasting to a general population. I expect that parts of the film would be suitable to illustrate your approach at scientific conferences.

With best wishes,

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Seminar Feeding Strategies 12 January

Potentials and Constraints for Metabolism

Thursday 12 January 2006

Human and Animal Physiology building - Haarweg 10 - Wageningen

A certain way of feeding may be related to normal dietary habits or may be well-considered and focus on modulating the metabolic utilization of ingested nutrients. Feeding strategies with a specific aim will only hold on the long run when they are in line with the regulation of nutrient intake. This seminar will address various topics in this field.

The seminar is organised by the Human and Animal Physiology Group at the occasion of the PhD-ceremonies of Jelmer Nolles (09.01) and Marzena Gas (20.01).

- 13.00 - 13.30 Get together - registration - lunch.
Chairman: Martin Versteegen
- 13.30 – 13.40 Welcome and introduction to the seminar
- 13.40 – 14.00 Intro to feeding strategies in protein and energy metabolism
Jacek Bujko
- 14.00 – 14.20 Highlights thesis: 'Postprandial fate of amino acids: adaptation to molecular forms'
Jelmer Nolles
- 14.20 - 14.40 Highlights thesis: 'Consequences of different strategies of free amino acid supplementation to dietary proteins for physiological utilization'
Marzena Gas
- 15.00 – 15.20 Effects of nutrient synchrony on protein utilization in milk-fed calves
Joost van den Borne
- 15.20 – 15.40 Break
Chairman: Wouter Hendriks
- 15.40 – 16.00 The postprandial ghrelin response to a high protein breakfast.
Wendy Blom
- 16.00 – 16.20 Is leptin the link between body and brain?
Bert van de Heijning
- 16.20 - 16.40 Weight management, the importance of glucogenic energy
Victor Schreurs
- 16.40 - 17.00 General discussion
- 17.00 Drinks

Wageningen Graduate Schools (WGS) Courses

As you might have noticed the WUR website has changed. This means the WGS general courses site has changed as well. From now on, new information about the WGS general courses can be found on the following website:

http://www.wageningenuniversiteit.nl/UK/education/programmes/PhD+programmes/General+Courses/?wbc_purpose=Basic&WBCMODE=PresentationUnpublished

New WGS courses in winter and spring 2006:

Scientific Writing:

13, 10 February, 6, 13, 20, 27 March & 3, 10 April 2006 (CENTA language centre)

Presentation Skills:

24 April, 1 May, 8 May & 15 May 2006 (CENTA language centre)

Project- and Time Management:

Course 1: 17 January, 31 January & 28 February 2006

Course 2: 14 March, 28 March & 25 April 2006

Course 3: 9 May, 23 May & 20 June 2006

Information Literacy:

21 & 22 February 2006 (Library WUR)

Techniques for Writing and Presenting a Scientific Paper:

Course 3: 27-30 June 2006
Course 4: 11-14 September 2006
Course 5: 14-17 November 2006

PhD Competence Assessment:

Assessment 1: 25 January (individual meetings 7 or 9 February 2006)
Assessment 2: 11 April (individual meetings 25 or 27 April 2006)

More detailed information about these courses and information on how to register for them can be found on the above mentioned website!

NWO Talent Day 14 March

If you are one of the few people in the Netherlands who has the potential to become an outstanding researcher, the NWO Talent Days can help you on your way to the top.

You are cordially invited to participate in the next NWO Talent Day 2006, which will be held on 14 March, 2006.

Only a limited number of places are available.

Why the NWO Talent Days?

NWO tries to support and stimulate young scientific talent, e.g. NWO provides various grants for talented researchers (<http://www.nwo.nl/subsidiewijzer>).

NWO organises the Talent Days to:

- provide you with the information, knowledge and skills you need to develop your scientific career, and to;
- give you the opportunity to exchange experiences with other young researchers from a wide range of scientific disciplines.

For further information see www.nwo.nl/talentendag

Are the NWO Talent Days something for me?

If you are a researcher at the start of your career – i.e. a Ph.D. or a postdoc - then yes, they are.

How can I register?

Registration is now open. You can register by completing the registration form at www.nwo.nl/talentendag

NOTE only a limited number of places are available for the Talent Day on a first come first served basis. So register soon.

Very important!

Be aware that the following workshops will be held in Dutch:

- Netwerken doe je zo
- Subsidie aanvragen
- Creatief denken wetenschappelijk verantwoord!
- Mediatraining
- Onderhandelen

The two English-spoken workshops are:

- Write it Right
- Career Development in Academia

Where can I get more information?

At www.nwo.nl/talentendag or talentendag@nwo.nl.

We look forward to seeing you at the NWO Talent Day on 14 March!

Graduate Course Estuarine Ecology

Date: 15-19 May 2006

Subjects: Structure and functioning of estuarine systems; Review of human impact; One-day field trip;

Introduction to modelling

Location: NIOO-CEME, Korringaweg 7, 4401 NT Yerseke, The Netherlands

More info: Lucas Stal, Phone +31 113 577497, Email l.stal@nioo.knaw.nl.

Aquatic Questionnaire

As part of the EU-funded PANDA project (Permanent Advisory Network of Experts in Aquatic Animal Disease) I am looking at current training opportunities and needs in fish and shellfish disease (diagnosis and control,

risk analysis, epidemiology, quality assurance and sustainable practices).

A key means gathering relevant information is by consulting you, the practitioner (researcher, manager, regulator, veterinarian, biologist, farm operative) on your experiences of training in your field. To this end, I am asking you to complete a short questionnaire. This questionnaire is completely voluntary and any information you give me will be held in strictest confidence. It will take less than 10 minutes of your time.

The questionnaire covers

- the sorts of training you undertake as part of your work
- what training needs are not currently being met
- who might best fill in the training gaps

Just click on this link to get started:

<http://websurveyor.net/wsb.dll/35507/PANDAquestionnaire.htm>

Many thanks in advance for your help, it is really appreciated. Apologies if you have already received this email.

EURSAFE 2006

On 22-24 June 2006, in Oslo, Norway: "Ethics and the Politics of Food" (6th Congress of the European Society for Agricultural and Food Ethics)

see: <http://Eursafe2006.etikkom.no>

This multi-disciplinary, international conference invites contributions (papers or posters) on the following themes:

- Sustainability in food production
- Politics of consumption
- Emerging technologies in food production
- Animal welfare and production
- Critical issues in aquatic production systems
- The toolbox for assessing ethical issues
- Foundational issues in philosophy/ethics
- Social conflicts over resource management
- Politics and power in the globalised food chain
- Politics, nutrition and food safety
- Ethics and safety in food discourses
- Who's responsible? Corporate responsibility and political governance in relation to food ethical issues
- Cultural values in food production
- Social distribution of responsibility for food ethical issues
- Trust in food
- Food, health and social inequality

(A more detailed description of these themes is to be found under <http://Eursafe2006.etikkom.no>.)

Deadline for submission of papers: 1 February 2006.

Extended deadline for Early Bird registration: 20 March 2005.

Details about EURSAFE can be found here: <http://www.eursafe.org/>.

or send an email to: Eursafe2006@etikkom.no.

Carolina MacGillavry fellowship

The Royal Netherlands Academy of Sciences (KNAW) announces a new fellowship for African PhD students. Vanaf 2006 zal er per jaar één Carolina MacGillavry beurs worden toegekend aan een onderzoeker afkomstig uit een SADC (Angola, Botswana, Kongo, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibië, Seychellen, Zuid-Afrika, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe).

De beurs is bestemd voor een promotie-onderzoek van 4 jaar en bedraagt ten hoogste € 50.000. Het onderzoeksprogramma wordt zowel in het thuisland als aan de gastinstelling in Nederland uitgevoerd volgens een 'sandwich' constructie (start en eind in Nederland).

De kandidaat dient in ieder geval te voldoen aan de volgende algemene voorwaarden:

- jonge onderzoeker bij voorkeur aan het begin van wetenschappelijke carrière (bij voorkeur jonger dan 40 jaar)

- relevante vooropleiding (MSc of vergelijkbaar)

- werkzaam zijn bij een universiteit of instituut in het thuisland

- onderzoek doen op het gebied van de natuur- en levenswetenschappen

De thuisinstelling betaalt het salaris van kandidaat door en dient een intentieverklaring te zenden waarin aangegeven wordt dat ernaar wordt gestreefd de kandidaat een positie aan te bieden na zijn/haar promotie. Verder wordt er van de thuisinstelling verwacht dat zij zorgdraagt voor de facilitaire ondersteuning van het onderzoek aldaar.

De gastinstelling in Nederland zorgt onder meer voor de wetenschappelijke uitvoering van het Fellowship en de benodigde wetenschappelijke infrastructuur tijdens het verblijf in Nederland.

Binnenkort zullen wij de Nederlandse universiteiten en onderzoeksinstituten uitnodigen geschikte kandidaten voor te dragen (2 kandidaten per universiteit). In de circulaire en het nominatieformulier zult u meer gedetailleerde informatie over het Fellowship programma treffen.

Mocht u voor ontvangst van de circulaire nog vragen hebben, dan vernemen wij dat uiteraard gaarne.

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Vietnamese PhD scholarships

Hanoitc is a company operating under the permission No. 6192/HTQT of Vietnam Ministry of Education and Training. At the moment, we are appointed by the Government to find a university in the Netherlands for 5 students to take **PhD programme**. These students are granted **scholarships from the State Budget** for Overseas Study. The Major they would like to apply for are:

- Machinery Design/Mechanical Engineering

- Cultivating technique (Agriculture)

- Bontany

- Veterinary

- Civil Engineering/Construction

Hanoitc would like to take this opportunity to cooperate with Agriculture University Wageningen in training these students. Please let us know what should be done by feedback.

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20 Jan Marzena Gas