

# Welcome to the School of Earth and Environment

Taught Postgraduate Event  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2011



To keep up with events and news related to the School of Earth and Environment (SEE) staff and students receive a weekly e-newsletter, below and overleaf are recent examples taken from the 'What's to SEE?' email.

## Seminars/Events:

**Friday 28 October** - IGT Seminar: *Active Volcanoes of Italy*. Dr Massimo D'Antonio (Napoli, Italy).  
School of Earth and Environment Seminar Room 1 – 8.119b.

**Monday 31 October** - Hosted by the Centre for Canadian Studies and the School of Earth and Environment, *Generation Us: The Challenge of Global Warming*. Prof Andrew Weaver.

**Tuesday 1 November** - CCCEP Public lecture: '*Climate Change and Society*' by Distinguished Professor John Urry, Lancaster University. Further details at <http://www.cccep.ac.uk/Events/home.aspx>  
(LT 20, Roger Stevens)

**Thursday 3 November** - Centre for Global Development Annual Lecture: *Pathways to Sustainability: Environment, Health and Social Justice in a Complex, Dynamic Age*. Professor Melissa Leach, Institute of Development Studies (IDS), Sussex. Yorkshire Bank Lecture Theatre, University of Leeds Business School.

**Wednesday 16 November** - SRI/CCCEP Seminar: *Chasing Our Tails? Rebound effects from improved energy efficiency*. Dr Steven Sorrell. Seminar Rooms 8.119 a + b.

**Friday 18 November** - IGT Seminar: *Stressful Times Following the 2010 Maule Earthquake, Chile*. Dr Isabelle Ryder. Seminar Room 8.119b.

**Thursday 24 November** - ESSI seminar: *Carbon cycle, oceans & climate in the Cretaceous*. Professor Helmut Weissert, ETH, Zurich - ECORD distinguished lecturer. Seminar room 8.119b



## Key

IGT – Institute of Geophysics and Tectonics

ICAS – Institute for Atmospheric Sciences

ESSI – Earth Surface Science Institute

SRI – Sustainability Research Institute

CCCEP – Centre for Climate Change Economics and Policy

### **SEE staff and researchers in the News:**

**Nicholas Higgs** - United States Online News 31/10/11 <http://usspost.com/researchers-find-zombie-worms-45760/> Researchers Find 'Zombie' Worms.

**Alan Haywood** - *Unravelling the Cause of the Ice Age Megafauna Extinctions*. A press release is on the University website and a paper has also been published in Nature.

[http://www.leeds.ac.uk/news/article/2631/unravelling\\_the\\_causes\\_of\\_the\\_ice\\_age\\_megafauna\\_extinctions](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/news/article/2631/unravelling_the_causes_of_the_ice_age_megafauna_extinctions).

**Bill Murphy** was interviewed about Potash deposit found in Yorkshire (BBC Look North 27/10/11). Bill talks about the environmental impact of mining potash from the site in North Yorkshire where deposits have recently been found.

**Paul Wignall** gives his view on new research which suggests deoxygenated water was responsible for a mass extinction. Ocean oxygen loss caused Earth's largest extinction (COSMOS, 11/10/11-<http://goo.gl/xBJDc>).

**Jane Francis'** work is referenced as part of an article about Arctic and Antarctic climates in the Sunday Times: "Polar Edens basked in Age of Storms" <http://goo.gl/p9Glr>.

### **Social Events**

**Bicycle Powered Cinema** - Sustainability Action Group (SAG) and Chain Reaction Power Systems are powering a film projector with leg power only to cycle through a showing of the amazing film; Belleville Rendezvous. All proceeds to SAG beehive project.

**Chatmosphere** - is a weekly event held at 11am on Thursdays over coffee and biscuits. This is an open event for all those interested within the school. Every week there is a summary of the weather over the previous week, followed by a forecast. Discussions include any interesting atmospheric phenomena seen over the previous weeks or something that has been highlighted for discussion.

**Green Drink Leeds** - Green Drinks Leeds is part of a global network of over 700 free informal networking & discussion events for anyone interested or working in the environment, sustainability, climate change and related fields (every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at advertised venues) <http://www.greendrinks.org/Yorkshire/Leeds>

**Leeds 25<sup>th</sup> International Film Festival** - As well as screening dramas, thrillers and genre films from across the world, the festival also shows a host of documentaries including: *Eco-Pirate: The Story of Paul Watson*, *The Crisis of Civilization* and *Think Global, Act Rural*. [www.leedsfilm.com](http://www.leedsfilm.com) (held annually in November).

