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WGGW Conference & Expo 10

Call for Papers. The Working Group On Global Warming Conference & Expo 10 themed *Impacts of the Global Recession on Sustainable Development, Climate Change Policy and Markets* will provide a platform to discuss the future opportunities and challenges related to the design, development and commercialisation of low carbon innovation, technologies, products and services. WGGW Conference & Expo 10 will include invited and refereed papers from academics, consultants, entrepreneurs, investors, technology providers, designers, sustainability, environment and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) managers as well as other business functions. The event will be a unique learning experience, networking space and an opportunity to think. WGGW Conference & Expo 10 welcomes conceptual and research-based papers covering sustainable innovation, technology, product and service design and development. Papers focused on low carbon solutions and sustainable innovations related to the following topics and among others, are particularly welcomed: global warming and climate change and the oceans; sustainable environment, health and development; remote sensing and global surveillance; water resources management; carbon & GHG management; extreme events and impacts assessment; greenhouse gas & ecosystems; human health in a changing climate; agricultural and forestry resources management; clean energy technology; low GHG transportation; education: global change & sustainable development and case studies. Please email to dr.donjack@gmail.com, or fax (+44 844 774 4651) up to 500 words describing your proposed paper by deadline **7th May, 2010**. The paper will then be sent to the Advisory Board for evaluation and authors will be given feedback on or before **14th May, 2010** the deadline for paper acceptance. **21st-25th, May 2010** at Mayfair **London** Hotel, UK. For more information on WGGW Conference & Expo 10 please contact Dr. **Don Jack** - Ph: +44 702 408 0821, +44 702 409 4596.

5º Simpósio Internacional de Paisagismo

O Núcleo de Estudos em Paisagismo e Floricultura realiza o **5º Simpósio Internacional de Paisagismo** no período de 18 a 21 de maio de 2010 na Universidade Federal de Lavras, em Lavras – MG. O NEPAFLOR, órgão destinado a reunir pesquisadores, professores, estudantes e profissionais interessados em paisagismo, promove a cada 2 anos o Simpósio que tem como objetivo atualizar e discutir conceitos e práticas do paisagismo. O tema central abordado neste evento evoca a amplitude dos sentidos relacionados aos jardins e às paisagens. As questões do bem estar e qualidade do quadro de vida estão diretamente associadas à relação entre o homem, a sociedade e o ambiente, essa relação própria de cada ser humano desencadeia a percepção. Numa outra escala, a sociedade também desenvolve seu próprio vínculo com o meio que a insere. O conceito da paisagem nasce da relação entre o homem, a sociedade e o meio ambiente. Nesse contexto, jardins e paisagens se revelam em percepções que além dos cinco sentidos abrangem aspectos culturais, históricos e ambientais, as quais se entrelaçam em seus constituintes materiais e imateriais. <http://www.nucleoestudo.ufla.br/nepaflor/>. *The Landscape and Floriculture Studies Center (NEPAFLOR), is promoting the 5th International Landscape Symposium to be held on May 18-21 at the Federal University of Lavras, Brazil. The event's main theme responds to the range of senses related to gardens and landscapes. Official Language: Portuguese.*

Intergovernmental Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services

The IUCN has published an [information paper](#) on the **Intergovernmental Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services** (IPBES). The Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services is a mechanism proposed to further strengthen the science-policy interface on biodiversity and ecosystem services, and add to the contribution of existing processes that aim at ensuring that decisions are made on the basis of the best available scientific information on conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and ecosystem services. IPBES is proposed as a broadly similar mechanism to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (**IPCC**). The paper lays out IUCN's vision for the function and form of IPBES that would deliver the most effective and improved science-policy interface on biodiversity and ecosystem services. The decision on whether to establish IPBES will be taken at an intergovernmental and multi-stakeholder meeting to be held from 7 to 11 June in South Korea. The IUCN will present the paper at the Fourteenth Meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and Third Meeting of the Ad-Hoc Open-Ended Working Group on Review of Implementation of the Convention in May to disseminate its position on IPBES before the above-mentioned meeting. Please visit the IUCN-IPBES website www.iucn.org/ipbes for additional information and documents

Keeping Olmsted Alive: The Biltmore Estate

[LandscapeOnline.com](http://www.landscapeonline.com) publishes in its April issue an interview by Leslie McGuire, managing editor with Parker Andes, Director of Horticulture, Biltmore Estate in North Carolina, about the 120,000 acre property which was the last landscape design done by Frederick Law Olmsted. Read the full article at <http://www.landscapeonline.com/research/article/5133>

best private plots 10 – Die besten Gärten 2010

Call for Entries. The international garden architecture competition **best private plots 10 – Die besten Gärten 2010** was launched on the 1st of April. The award recognizes exemplary design of sustainable private open spaces, highlighting the garden as a place of innovation, as a space for creative expression and action, as contemporary dialogue between architecture, ecology and landscape. The competition is being held for the 4th time since 2006. The award criteria include: idea, conceptual and artistic quality, ecological quality, use of plants and materials, relationship between inside and outside, delimitation of space and organisation of open space, technical planning, and sustainability. Special attention will also be given to the individual diversity of use and functionality. The open space must be clearly identifiable as intended for private residence and use. The prize honours exceptional achievements in the design of sustainable private outdoor space and gardens, which were completed after January 1st, 2000. This is an open competition. Landscape architects, architects, garden owners, designers, florists, gardeners, artists, nurseries and landscaping firms, as well as teams including a combination thereof are eligible. First prize: Euro 7.000, - | Second prize: Euro 5.000, - | Third prize: Euro 3.000,-. **Submission forms:** www.privateplots.at. **Deadline for entries:** May 31st, 2010. **Award ceremony:** September 25th, 2010, 7 p.m. at the Loisium, Loisiumallee 1, A-3550 Langenlois, Austria.

International Competition Solar Park South

The Town Planning and Territorial Governance Department of the region of Calabria, Italy announces the first "Zero Emission" international competition, Solar Park South, fully managed online by means of the portal www.newitalianblood.com. Participants are requested to provide economically, energetically and culturally sustainable projects and innovative ideas for the reuse of an imposing 10-km highway stretch, between the municipalities of Scilla and Bagnara, soon to be decommissioned. Participation is open to architects, landscape architects, engineers, designers, artists, scientists, researchers and students worldwide. First Prize: 20,000 Euros. Second Prize: 7,500 Euros. Third Prize: 2,500 Euros. Online free registrations will be open from 15 May to 15 July 2010. Projects can be self-published online from 15 July to 30 July 2010. Website www.parcosolaesud.it - Direct English Link http://www.parcosolaesud.it/concorso01/index_en.html

Topos Landscape Award 2010

Topos - The International Review of Landscape Architecture and Urban Design - has awarded the Topos Landscape Award 2010 to Stoss Landscape Urbanism, a Boston, USA-based critical design and planning studio headed by Chris Reed. Operating at the juncture of landscape architecture, design and planning in the emerging field of landscape urbanism, Stoss LU has won national and international recognition for landscape and urbanism projects rooted in infrastructure, functionality and ecology. Topos has chosen Stoss LU for its Landscape Award 2010 in recognition of the theoretical and practical impulses it provides to the further development of landscape architecture in dynamic and open-ended systems, and to encourage discussion of landscape urbanism. The Topos Landscape Award 2010 will be presented on **18 June** at the Landscape Architecture seminar in **Krakow, Poland**, co-organized by the Polish Association of Landscape Architects (SAK) and supported by the city of Krakow and the European Federation for Landscape Architecture (EFLA), the European region of IFLA among others. Further information on the seminar and registration at <http://sak.org.pl/index.php/pMenuId/37>

ICCROM Courses

First Aid to Cultural Heritage in Times of Conflict. Applications are now open for the course on to be held at ICCROM from 17 September to 29 October 2010. Application **deadline: 14 May** 2010. Likewise, registration is open for the **Management Planning for Cultural Heritage** course to be held in Shanghai, China from 13 to 24 September 2010. Application **deadline: 30 May 2010**. For full information visit the courses websites at http://www.iccrom.org/eng/01train_en.shtml

World Heritage Volunteers – "Patrimonto Voluntary Action 2010"

In the framework of the UNESCO World Heritage Education Programme and taking into account the positive results obtained by the World Heritage Volunteers project in 2008 and 2009, UNESCO World Heritage Centre and the Co-ordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service (CCIVS) have agreed to pursue this initiative launching the: World Heritage Volunteers - "Patrimonto Voluntary Action 2010". The project aims at raising awareness about the necessity to protect, preserve and promote cultural and natural heritage in general and the inscribed or potential World Heritage sites in particular. The project furthermore aims at demonstrating the value of non-formal education as an approach to disseminate the values and expertise developed at the inter-governmental level to a large public and to young people in particular. It aims at exploring opportunities for a dynamic dialogue between the heritage and education experts involved in the promotion and protection of the sites and the volunteers and youth groups developing concrete World Heritage projects. Twenty eight projects - taking place in seventeen countries and locations between May 2010 and March 2011 - were selected for the 2010 campaign and will contribute to: sensitize the international and local volunteers, the local community as well as the concerned authorities around issues related to World Heritage; increase the contribution by the youth and voluntary service organizations to WH promotion and preservation with

activities planned, based on the concrete needs of the site and in coordination with the site management and local/national authorities; create and strengthen synergies between the local youth organization and the local community, site management, national and local authorities and link cooperation to the issue of sustainable development. If you are interested to participate, please contact the CCIVS at secretariat@ccivs.org & <http://ccivs.org/New-SiteCCSVI/CcivsOther/culturalheritage/heritage-presentation.htm>

Resource for landscape architects

A new useful resource for landscape architects is now available! [This blog](#) is entirely dedicated to promote and share information about Landscape Architecture Competitions and awards for students and professionals all around the world.
<http://lacompetitionsawards.blogspot.com/>



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