You are invited to the following joint event at Kirstenbosch Botanical Garden, Cape Town on Wednesday 22 and Thursday 23 October 2008

(1) A one-morning SCP&AM symposium (Wednesday 22nd, starting 08h30)

How do or should systematic conservation planning & adaptive management relate?

This symposium examines the increasingly-discussed but not clearly resolved issue of how systematic conservation planning and adaptive management inter-relate. They claim to support each other, but in reality an appropriate mix often does not eventualise. The symposium will feature key speakers including Chris Margules and Richard Cowling. There will be adequate discussion time. For a draft programme, see next page.

Followed by: (2) A one-and-a-half day proposal-refining workshop for the exciting initiative

"The use of economic incentives in conservation-oriented regional management"

The Wednesday afternoon will take the form of a general introduction to the programme about economics in bioregional contexts. Talks will include discussion of a draft manuscript on the concepts behind, and design of, the programme; and of concrete projects that have already been formulated or begun. This afternoon session will end with a description of the potential capacity of the programme across South Africa, and its modus operandi for collaboration. All this is to provide general background, and a basis for Thursday's programme.

Thursday (we anticipate from 09h00 till 16h00) will be used to flesh out the programme portfolio in detail. If your agency or university has a potential interest in participating in the programme, this is the opportunity to embed your particular regional agenda into what becomes programme specification. The day will be facilitated to achieve this, so please expect a working day documenting such contributions. Full programme two pages ahead.

All attendees of the Wednesday morning symposium will be welcome to stay on after lunch if they wish; and new attendees to the second part are welcome for lunch. Persons who decide on Wednesday afternoon to stay for Thursday are welcome to do so.

If you are interested in attending either or both of these events, e-mail <u>kerri.brick@uct.ac.za</u>. There will be no charge for attendance, teas or lunches. If you wish to request further assistance, motivate this in the e-mail. Please forward this invitation to any interested candidates.

Arranged by: EPRU (UCT), RA Node in SA, SANBI and SANParks

Draft Programme for the morning of Wed 22nd October, starting 08h30

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(*Note: only some of these papers are finally confirmed, many may have co-authors*)

<u>Chris Margules</u> – Systematic Conservation Planning set out to be adaptive – is it, or what happened? (30min. talk)

<u>Kevin Rogers or Harry Biggs</u> – Systematic Planning and Adaptive Management – separately we fail, together we succeed. In principle, what does that togetherness look like? (20 mins)

<u>Richard Cowling</u> - Incorporating adaptive management into the conservation planning process: an operational framework and examples of good and bad practice.

<u>Stephen Holness</u> – Adaptive feedbacks in the design, implementation, and spatial management of protected areas.

<u>Pete Goodman</u> – Some experiences from KZN Wildlife of connecting adaptive management and systematic planning.

<u>Judith Kruger</u> – Monitoring and evaluation as key: meaningful hierarchical nesting of targets and thresholds at different scales.

Mike Knight – examples of the business operationalisation of these integrating actions.

Finally, a one hour discussion, facilitated by Harry Biggs: How the two processes (adaptive management and conservation planning) might best be married effectively in practice: implications for planning, management and especially for our partnerships.

Persons from outside the Western Cape wishing to attend this meeting may wish to arrive on Tuesday 21st October, as there is an 08h30 start the next day.

Proposal refinement for the emergent southern African programme:

The use of economic incentives in conservation-oriented regional management

Wednesday 22nd October

14h00 introductions

14h05 presentation of the draft final manuscript content (20 mins + 20)

14h45 the jumpstart prototype on C.A.P.E. - what is currently consists

of, and what we have learnt so far (20 mins + 10 discussion)

TEA

15h45 what we plan to do tomorrow to generate a full programme portfolio.

We will present a very broad outline of content as we see it (but not

foreclosing other ideas, to be elicited tomorrow) for tomorrow; and how that output will be taken forward after that to prepare a full programme description for the funders.

LATE AFTERNOON or EVENING SOCIAL EVENT – to be announced

Thursday 23rd October (0900h-16h00h)

There will be a reasonably free flow of events, with tea - lunch - tea inbetween

- Last opportunity to critique basis (founding principles in draft ms);
- Generate major elements/subsections of programme (exact methodology to be worked out maybe a matrix of objectives vs regions?);
- Generate typical projects under each (possibly in breakaway groups), linking above to specific practical problems or issues;
- Get together again, report back very briefly but discussing how these projects from different subgroups partly re-unite across common themes;
- Discuss how collaborative structures for the various regions / theme areas might work in practice. Stakeholders, lead agencies, MOUs etc;
- Discuss what the overarching structure (EPRU) will give to the sub-programmes e.g. newsletter, annual meeting... and overarching principles e.g. intellectual property arrangements etc;
- Way forward from here: This will include arrangements for full write-up of the programme description, and who exactly will be involved in details of each subsection. How will students now be attracted etc.