

# University of Aarhus - Annual Development Seminar

*Science, Environment and Culture:*

*New Initiatives for Africa and Asia*

AU Faculty of Science

Tuesday 04 September 2007



## BACKGROUND

This year's seminar will focus on new opportunities and strategies for collaboration between Denmark and the developing countries of Africa and Asia. The University of Aarhus has both a long tradition of development activities and a new, stronger emphasis on internationalization. Under the broad title of "Science, Environment and Culture", the workshop will provide an opportunity to present and debate important cross-cutting issues, such as food security and health, technology transfer, capacity development and climate change, in the context the African and Asian regions. Lessons learned from previous development collaboration, as well as future strategies, will be presented by speakers from the university, Danida, SIDA and IUCN.

## TARGET GROUP

The main attendees of the seminar will be scientists and students from the new and enlarged University of Aarhus. In addition, development practitioners from the Danish resource base within Science, Environment and Culture will be invited. Members of the public are also welcome to attend.

## EXPECTED OUTCOME

A short report containing key points and recommendations from the seminar, which will be made available on a University of Aarhus website.

## PROGRAM

09:00 – 09:15 *Welcome:*

09:15 – 10:00 *Science, Technology and Innovation Interventions in East Africa - Lessons Learnt* **Hannah Akuffo**, Head of Division for University Cooperation, SIDA (to be confirmed)

10:00 – 10:45 *Mangroves for the Future (UNDP/IUCN).* **Prof. Donald Macintosh**, IUCN & cenTER

10:45 – 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 – 11:45 *Research and teaching development at the University of Aarhus.* **Dr Mette Kjær**, University of Aarhus, Department of Political Science & University of Aarhus Committee for Coordination of Developmental Research (AU-CCDR)

11:45 – 12:30 *Challenges of Research in Danish Development Co-operation; - Technology development and innovation for sustainable development.* **Morten Elkjær**, Deputy Technical Advisory Services, Development Co-operation (Danida BFT)

12:30 – 13:15 *Discussion, Summary and Closing* – **Prof. Donald Macintosh**, IUCN & cenTER

13:15 – 14:30 Lunch

## REGISTRATION

Participation is **FREE**.

Please contact [Thomas Nielsen](#) to register (to enable us to make sure we print enough handouts and order enough food).

## VENUE

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## QUESTIONS & LOGISTICS

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