BUILDING COMMUNITY RESILIENCE: INTEGRATING POPULATION, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT (PHE)

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Tanzania

Course Description

This two-week intensive course is for professionals working with the economy, environment or the population/health of communities around areas of biodiversity. It promotes advanced thinking, the sharing of lessons learned from practical experience and the exploration of creative ideas on integrated approaches from around the world. It is designed to meet individual learning needs and obtain feedback from peers and international experts. It offers a rare opportunity for reflection, learning, networking and access to leading thinkers and practitioners in population, health and the environment and the nexus of all three. The course is unique in that it builds technical and management skills and knowledge while also providing professional skills development.

Objectives:

At course conclusion, participants will be able to:
• Champion the PHE approach
• Implement proven techniques for building community resilience through integrated programming
• Design integrated PHE issue assessments in areas of high biodiversity
• Develop integrated interventions that address root causes of environmental and social change across PHE sectors
• Apply improved professional skills to conduct their PHE activities

Professional skills-building sessions:
• Group dynamics and teamwork

Who will benefit from attending?

Individuals who are actively engaged in health and/or natural resources management at national, regional or local levels and whose work requires cross-sectoral integration to adapt to global climate change will benefit from this course. They can come from a wide range of organizations:
• Professionals in management of natural resources, fisheries, hazards, population and health

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• Staff from non-governmental organizations addressing community development and the natural resource management environment

• Project managers in development organizations, donors or regional development banks

• Business entrepreneurs engaged in livelihood enterprises

The course is most appropriate for individuals that: 1) are proficient in speaking and writing English, 2) have three to five years field experience, 3) are in a position to promote PHE policy or project design or implementation activities, 4) have the means to partner with others in addressing PHE, and 5) are committed to being a champion for PHE.

Venue

The course will take place in the coastal town of Bagamoyo, Tanzania, approximately one hour drive northwest of Dar es Salaam. A field trip is included to demonstrate coastal issues and PHE strategies used as part of CRC’s strategy for building community development in Pangani District. The conference site and hotel will be confirmed by the end of November 2012.

Fees

The course fee is US $3,000. This covers tuition, housing, breakfast and lunch during classes, field trips, reading materials, special events and limited health and accident insurance (if needed). Fees do not cover personal expenses, dinner or travel to and from Tanzania. Registration deadline is December 31, 2012, with a non-refundable fee of $500 US.

Information

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