

The Macaulay Land Use Research Institute

# 2011 Seminar Programme

The James Hutton Institute: new institute, new science?

Seminar theme

## "Science in The James Hutton Institute"

"Making interdisciplinarity work: the case of the Sustainable Uplands project"

Wednesday 12 January (10am seminar), Dr Mark Reed, Deputy Director, ACES, Senior Lecturer, School of Geosciences, University of Aberdeen

"Water resource security: the role of farmers and consumers in the water-food-trade nexus"

Wednesday 2 February, Professor Tony Allan, Head of London Water Research Group, King's College London and SOAS

"Impact of climate change on plant diseases: focus on viruses"

Tuesday 22 February, Professor Lesley Torrance, Plant Pathology Programme Leader, SCRI

"Linking Land and Ocean - Managing Agriculture to Protect Australia's Great Barrier Reef"

Wednesday 23 February, Professor Iain Gordon, Chief Executive, The James Hutton Institute

"Social science for The James Hutton Institute: challenges and opportunities"

Wednesday 2 March, Professor Bill Slee, Head of SERG, The Macaulay Land Use Research Institute

"Prosperity without Growth"

Tuesday 8 March (11am seminar), Professor Tim Jackson, Director RESOLVE, University of Surrey

"The value of science for Scotland and it's role in addressing global problems"

Wednesday 16 March, Professor Anne Glover, Chief Scientific Adviser, Scottish Government

"Conservation science: informing the balance between 'public good' and the 'invisible hand'"

Wednesday 23 March, Dr Adam Smith, Director Scotland, Game & Wildlife Conservation Trust

Title tbc

Tuesday 29 March (11am seminar at SCRI, Dundee), Professor Douglas Kell, Chief Executive, BBSRC (Seminar to be broadcast live in the Craigiebuckler Board Room)

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Wednesday 30 March, Professor Colin Thorne, School of Geography, The University of Nottingham

In April 2011, the MLURI and SCRI will join to create The James Hutton Institute. This new institute will be one of the largest research organisations of its type in Europe and presents an exciting opportunity for its researchers to more effectively address major global issues relating to food, energy and environmental security. This opportunity applies equally to those working within the new institute and to those collaborating with them. This seminar series forms part of our preparations for the new institute and is intended to explore possible new research challenges and the context for them. The speakers, leading researchers drawn from both within MLURI and SCRI, and from elsewhere in the UK and Europe, will explore some general and some specific scientific challenges from their particular perspectives. The seminars will be hosted variously at the Aberdeen and Dundee sites and some will be broadcast to both.



**Seminar begins at 2pm in Macaulay Suite B unless marked otherwise**

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