

**PROGRAMME FOR THE TROPICAL PEATLAND SESSIONS AT THE 13<sup>TH</sup>  
INTERNATIONAL PEAT CONGRESS, 8-13 JUNE 2008, TULLAMORE,  
IRELAND**

***Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2008: SPECIAL SESSION ON TROPICAL PEATLAND***

***FUTURE OF TROPICAL PEATLANDS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AS CARBON POOLS  
AND SINKS***

***SESSION 1: Tropical peat carbon pools – extent and importance***

*Chairman: The Honourable Dato Dr. James Dawos Mamit, Member of the Malaysian Parliament*

08.30 - 08.40 Opening statement by representative of the Indonesian Ambassador to the UK and Ireland

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08.50 - 09.10 Keynote presentation by Bambang Setiadi, Deputy to Indonesian Minister of Research and Technology: **Do we need a road map for tropical peat?**

09.10 - 09.30 Susan Page and Chris Banks, University of Leicester, UK and Raphael Wüst, School of Earth Sciences, James Cook University, Townsville, Queensland, Australia: **Extent, significance and vulnerability of the tropical peatland carbon pool**

09.30 - 09.50 Agata Hoscilo, Susan Page and Kevin Tansey, University of Leicester, UK: **Repeated and extensive fire as the main driver of land cover change in Block C of the former Mega Rice Project area**

09.50 - 10.10 Florian Siegert and Julia Jaenicke, Ludwig-Maximilians University and Remote Sensing Solutions, Germany: **Estimation of carbon storage in Indonesian peatland**

10.10 - 10.30 Questions and round table discussion

*10.30 - 11.00 Refreshments*

SESSION 2: *Human impacts on tropical peat carbon stores*

*Chairman: Professor Edward Maltby, University of Liverpool, UK*

- 11.00 -11.20 Harri Vasander and Jyrki Jauhiainen, University of Helsinki, Finland: **Uncertainties, deficiencies and unknowns in greenhouse gas emissions from tropical peatland**
- 11.20 - 11.40 Professor Jack Rieley, University of Nottingham, UK: **Carbon budgets under different land uses on tropical peatland**
- 11.40 - 12.00 Dr. Henk Wösten, Wageningen University and Research Centre, The Netherlands: **Risk assessment of tropical peatland carbon pools under different land uses and impacts**
- 12.00 - 12.20 Marcel Silvius, Wetlands International, Wageningen, The Netherlands: **Innovations for financing wise use of peatlands in Indonesia**
- 12.20 – 13.00 Questions and round table discussion

*13.00 – 14.00 Lunch*

SESSION 3: *Protecting tropical peat carbon pools: carbon offset and trading mechanisms for tropical peat*

*Chairmen: James Dawos and Ed. Maltby*

- 14.00 - 14.20 Jan Verhagen, Herbert Diemont, Paul van Ruiten and Raymond Schrijver, Wageningen University and Research Centre, The Netherlands: **Selling carbon from tropical forests and peat lands**
- 14.20 - 14.40 Daniel Murdiyarso, Centre for International Forestry Research (CIFOR), Indonesia; Nyoman Suryadiputra, Wetlands International-Indonesia Programme; Sonya Dewi, World Agroforestry Centre (ICRAF), Indonesia; and Fahmuddin Agus, Centre for Soil and Agriculture Research (CSAR), Indonesia: **How can a REDD scheme support the management of vulnerable carbon pools in Indonesia's peatlands?**
- 14.40 - 15.30 Questions and round table discussion – future direction and implications for policy makers – summing up and consensus