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Jackie Klopp (Center for Sustainable Urban Development, Earth Institute) will present "Knowledge, Data and Open Access in Development: A Nairobi Case Study" in the Sustainable Development Seminar.

A link to her website and the group's blog is located at: https://docs.google.com/document/pub?id=1fXaGB6wArPNPDBI7G7XNqDSKkQK1zX7XRQ4sQWZGcfEc

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

Division of Nutritional Sciences, Cornell University

REGIONAL TEAM LEADER IN AFRICA

The Division of Nutritional Sciences, Cornell University, is seeking two Regional Team Leaders in Africa. These positions are full-time positions with annual renewals through October, 2015, subject to continued funding and performance. A start date of January 1 to March 1, 2013 is anticipated.

The overall goal of the project is to improve the institutional environment at continental, regional and national levels, contributing to a reduction in maternal and child under-nutrition in West and East Africa. Cornell’s primary focus is to: 1) strengthen strategic capacities at national and sub-national levels, 2) strengthen the capacity for adaptive management of the community-based nutrition program and 3) support real-time learning, sharing and documentation of project experiences for the purpose of improved performance, sustainability and positioning for scaling up. One Regional Team Leader will support two countries in West Africa and be posted to that region. The other Regional Team Leader will support two countries in East Africa and be posted to that region. Each Regional Team Leader will be responsible for overseeing and managing all activities for the project in the two countries with support from an Ithaca-based team.
Individuals interested in these positions must apply on-line and upload their CV and a letter of intent; identifying which region they are interested in working in, detailing their relevant experience and qualifications for the post, and identifying three individuals who would be willing to provide a letter of recommendation. Questions in advance of application should be directed to Professor David Pelletier at dlp5@cornell.edu. Screening of applications will begin immediately and continue until both positions have been filled.

Please see attached for a comprehensive description on duties and criteria.

The Participatory Budgeting Project Inc.

POLICY, DESIGN AND OPERATIONS INTERNS

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 14 DECEMBER 2012

The Participatory Budgeting Project, Inc. (PBP), a non-profit organization based in New York City, is seeking part-time interns for Winter/Spring 2013. We seek to fill two internship positions: one focused on design, and one on policy. Both internships also include some operations work. The two interns will work out of our New York office for at least 15 hours per week, starting in January and ending in May (exact dates are flexible). The design intern will work closely with other staff to develop materials and media that make complex policy issues accessible to diverse audiences.

Responsibilities for the design intern will include:

- design publicity materials and educational materials about participatory budgeting for diverse audiences, including brochures, info sheets, powerpoint presentations, guides, and posters
- contribute to website design
- provide additional administrative and operational support to staff as needed

Responsibilities for the policy intern will include:

- prepare content for publicity and educational materials, including brochures, powerpoint presentations, press releases, and website
- attend and assist at PB meetings in communities throughout New York City, including working with City Council Members and staff, community groups and city residents.
- compile media coverage
• maintain and further develop program impact and contact databases
• assist with planning our international conference in May 2013

The ideal candidates will have:

• strong interest in social justice and participatory democracy
• strong communication, writing, and organizational skills
• experience or interest working with non-profit organizations
• strong skills working with Powerpoint, Word, GoogleDocs, Mailchimp, or other relevant software and platforms
• design intern will have design skills and experience, and good working knowledge of Photoshop and/or InDesign
• policy intern will have research experience, in or out of the classroom, on issues related to municipal finances, local politics, or participatory democracy.
• a Bachelor's degree in a relevant field, and some graduate coursework

For more information, visit our website at www.participatorybudgeting.org. To apply, send a letter of interest, resume, and work sample (e.g. a brochure, flyer, powerpoint presentation, report, info sheet) to info@participatorybudgeting.org by December 14th, 2012. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Also see http://www.idealist.org/view/internship/hTtzsFggkJ74/ 

2013 Hart Howerton Fellowship Program

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 25 JANUARY 2013

In 2005, Hart Howerton began an educational initiative to fund a select number of Fellowship positions for students at design schools. Each summer Fellowships allow the firm to employ several students in planning, architecture and/or landscape architecture under a single program, mirroring our firm’s dedication to the working integration of those disciplines in how and what we design.

The benefit to Hart Howerton has been tremendous – the energy, enthusiasm and input of new designers in the process of learning, who are laying the foundation for the next generation of design thinking. The firm’s Fellowships underscore Hart Howerton’s commitment to continuing educational opportunities - for our clients, staff and the wider professional community.
Structure: Hart Howerton defines an 8-week “assignment” as part of an existing firm project, followed by the Fellow’s self-defined, approved topic of travel study. The 3-week travel period’s findings are prepared, upon return, as a report presented by the Fellow to the firm. The Fellowship includes:

- $2,000 housing assistance during the 8-week stay in San Francisco or New York.
- $3,000 Fellowship travel expenses during the 3-week travel period.
- Salary for the 8-week Fellowship/Internship.
- Round trip travel to SF or NY from the student’s school at start/end of program.

Application Process/Fellowship Schedule: The application is a downloaded PDF from our website, www.harthowerton.com. The submittal of an accompanying portfolio will be in electronic form, uploaded to the Hart Howerton website. Hart Howerton Principals make the final selections, though they may seek information from the relevant schools when appropriate. **Deadline for the Fellowship application and portfolio submission is January 25th, 2013.** Hart Howerton will select a short list of up to 10 students to be interviewed by telephone or in person before final selection. **The list of Fellows is announced in early March.** The Fellows arrive in the firm’s offices in late May/early June and the program is completed prior to the start of their fall semester in late August/early September.

Past recipients of the Hart Howerton Fellowship have traveled to the United Kingdom, Thailand, China, Africa, Europe and throughout the United States working on projects that include researching land reclamation sites, green roof applications, coastal programming strategies and the role of design in third world health care programs, among others.

See document attached for more details.

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

**tur(i)ntogreen – International Student Design Competition**

**Deadline: 21 December 2012**

The Research and Documentation Centre in Technology, Architecture and City in Developing Countries (CRD-PVS) at the Politecnico di Torino organizes **tur(i)ntogreen**, an International student design competition on urban smart
regeneration and agro-housing open to students enrolled in any program/level of Worldwide Academic institutions.

The Competition has been announced on the 5th of September during the World Urban Forum in Naples (Italy) as part of the UN HABITAT “I’m a city changer” and World Urban Campaigns (http://www.imacitychanger.org/) within the Global Housing Strategy to the Year 2025.

For more information, please visit the official website (www.polito.it/turintogreen).

**CRITICAL PLANNING JOURNAL – CALL FOR PAPERS**

**DEADLINE:** 15 JANUARY 2013

For its 20th volume, Critical Planning invites critical research papers, book reviews, essays, literary journalism projects, poetry, and artistic projects that investigate and speculate on the future trajectories of cities and the role of urban planning. Possible topics include, but are by no means limited to:

- Climate changes
- Information technologies and logistics
- Green technologies and energy
- Politics and resistance
- Shrinking cities and emerging economies
- Social networks and digital communities

Critical Planning is a double-blind peer-reviewed publication. Feature articles are generally between 5,000 and 7,000 words, while shorter articles are between 1,000 and 3,000 words. Essays range from 1,000 to 7,000 words. Poetry submissions should be fewer than 600 words or 4 poems, whichever is shorter. We encourage submissions that incorporate cross-disciplinary, multi-scalar, multi-sited, transnational, or mixed-method approaches. We also welcome submissions of photographs, maps, art, or design projects related to the topic The Future for publication in the journal.

The 2013 Edward W. Soja Prize for Critical Thinking in Urban and Regional Research will be awarded to the best article published in the 20th volume of Critical Planning. The prize celebrates the lifetime achievements of this critical thinker whose work continues to open new research directions for the theoretical and practical understanding of contemporary cities and regions. Preference will be given to authors speaking to critical issues outside the research agendas of traditional funding agencies and institutional donors. A cash prize of $1,000 will be awarded to the author of the winning article.
Submissions will be accepted on a rolling basis, and we highly encourage early submissions. Feel free to contact us by email to discuss your ideas. All academic submissions should be written according to the standards of the Chicago Manual of Style, 16th Edition. Manuscripts should be submitted by 5 PM PST on January 15th, 2013 as .doc attachments via email to critplan@ucla.edu.


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**APA Economic Development Division Travel Scholarship**

**Deadline: 25 January 2013**

Applications are invited from Master’s level students enrolled in PAB-accredited planning programs across the US, as well as individuals who have graduated from those programs in the last year. The $1,000 travel scholarship is awarded on the basis of a letter of recommendation from a faculty member and an original student paper or work. The original student submission should be 2,000 to 2,500 words and speak to practitioners about a substantive topic related to economic development and planning in the US. The scholarship will be presented at APA’s National Planning Conference in Chicago, April 13-17, 2013. The paper will also be published on the Economic Development Division website and distributed electronically to division members.

All submissions and inquiries should be directed to John Provo, Director Office of Economic Development, Virginia Tech, via email jprovo@vt.edu.

Read about previous award winners at https://www.planning.org/divisions/economic/scholarships/previous.htm

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**APA Transport Planning Division 2013 Student Paper Competition**

**Deadline: 13 February 2013**

The Transportation Planning Division (TPD) is looking for outstanding student papers on current transportation planning or policy issues. Our purpose is to recognize and reward work completed for courses in accredited masters and undergraduate planning programs. Please nominate and encourage your students to participate in APA’s student paper contest. Winners will be announced at the APA National Conference in Chicago, IL on April 13-17, 2013.
The Prizes: Awards of $1,000 and $500. The top two student papers will be awarded. The grand prize for the best student paper is $1,000 and the second prize is $500. Winning papers (or summaries) will be published in the TPD’s quarterly newsletter. The TPD may also submit full versions of the winning paper for peer review and possible presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board and for publication in APA’s Planning Magazine.

More details at http://www.apa-tpd.org/competition.html