



## Conference Announcement

### ***Adapting conservation to a changing climate***

**11-12 January 2011, Charles Darwin House, London**

Climate change is widely regarded as the major long-term threat to biodiversity and ecosystem services and it is essential that conservation adapts to deal with this threat. General principles have been identified and adaptation is starting to happen, but we need to step up the pace. This conference aims to provide a solid foundation for this by reviewing emerging research results and lessons learnt from practical experience and identifying the most promising ways forward.

Aims of the conference:

- 1) To disseminate results of new research and practical experience of climate change adaptation
- 2) To provide a forum for debate and knowledge exchange between conservation researchers, practitioners and policy-makers
- 3) To identify opportunities for future research and development in climate change adaptation

The conference will include invited papers from leading UK and international speakers and offered papers and posters from participants. There will be discussion in plenary and breakout groups and opportunities for informal networking and debate.

#### **Outline Programme**

##### **11 January**

Session 1: The Context for Adaptation

Session 2 How do we best promote resilience to climate change?

Poster Session with refreshments

Conference Dinner

##### **12 January**

Session 3 Adaptation and ecosystem processes and services

Session 4 When should we accept or promote change in ecosystems?

Session 5 Turning theory into practice

## **Outputs**

A summary report will be published and papers may be submitted for consideration in a special feature in Journal of Applied Ecology.

## **Cost**

Registration fee £55 to cover lunch on both days, tea, coffee and refreshments at the poster session

Conference Dinner. A conference dinner will be held on the evening of 11 January in a local restaurant run as a social enterprise with an emphasis on sustainability ([www.acornhouserestaurant.com](http://www.acornhouserestaurant.com)). This is optional and there will be an additional cost of £35.

Conference participants should arrange their own travel and overnight accommodation: information on a range of hotel and budget accommodation will be provided.

## **Key dates**

Booking opens 11 September 2010, online at [http://www.britishecologicalsociety.org/policy/climate\\_change\\_conference\\_2011.php](http://www.britishecologicalsociety.org/policy/climate_change_conference_2011.php)

Offers of papers and posters should be sent by email to Mike Morecroft ([michael.morecroft@naturalengland.org.uk](mailto:michael.morecroft@naturalengland.org.uk)) by 15 October 2010

Full Programme available by 31 October 2010 (keynote speakers will be announced on the website as they are confirmed).

Closing date for bookings: 31 November 2010

Note there is a limit of 100 participants for this conference. Advance booking is strongly recommended as places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis

## **Further information**

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