

ACES and Ecosystem Markets 2012

A Community on Ecosystem Services Linking Science, Practice and Decision Making

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Making Them Work



December 10-14, 2012 | Harbor Beach Marriott | Ft. Lauderdale, FL, USA

Greetings!

ACES and Ecosystem Markets 2012 is an international collaboration of three dynamic communities - A Community on Ecosystem Services (ACES), the Ecosystem Markets Conference, and the Ecosystem Services Partnership (ESP). The focus of the conference will be to link science, practice, institutions and resource sustainable decision making by bringing together ecosystem services communities from around the United States and the globe.

ACES and Ecosystem Markets 2012 will be held December 10-14, 2012 at the Marriott Harbor Beach in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. We hope that you will make plans to attend this innovative conference which we anticipate will attract more than 600 participants through this combined effort and will feature presentations from every aspect of ecosystem services.

For conference updates, registration and hotel information, program specifics, and other important details, please visit our website at www.conference.ifas.ufl.edu/aces.

Who Should Attend?

The ACES and Ecosystem Markets 2012 Conference will bring together government, non-government organizations, academia, tribal, and private sector leaders who are interested in natural systems and their relationship with the built environment. The expected audience will include individuals with interest in resource management, restoration, conservation, and urban and non-urban development such as:

- Natural and social scientists
- Urban and regional planners
- Resource and ecosystem managers
- Conservationists
- Developers
- Policy makers
- Geographers
- Economists
- Private Land Owners

Conference Themes

The conference will offer discussion on a variety of topics affecting Ecosystem Services. The overarching theme of this meeting is *Ecosystem Services: Linking Science, Practice, and Decision Making*. Following are more specific themes that conference sessions and contributed presentations will be based upon.

Conference Themes Include:

- Spatial Analysis
- Institutions, Markets, and Legal Frameworks
- Measurement and Valuation
- Tools for Decision Makers
- The Role of Federal, State and Local Agencies
- The Role of the Private Sector
- The Role of NGO's
- Ecosystem Services and Policy Analysis
- International Comparisons

Program Announced

The program committee is excited to announce the ACES and Ecosystem Markets 2012 program agenda is now available for viewing on the conference website!

In addition to plenary and concurrent sessions, the conference program also features pre-conference workshops, town hall meetings, world café sessions and a post-conference field tour.

For the detailed program agenda please visit the conference website.

Hotel Reservations

Be sure to make your hotel reservations at the Harbor Beach Marriott Hotel early! We are expecting an early sell-out and rooms are given out on a first-come, first-served basis. Take advantage of the low federal rate today! (\$124/ night + tax).

Questions?

For more information, visit the conference website at:

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