



June 2011 Newsletter

Dear SCORAI,

Welcome to the June 2011 issue of the SCORAI newsletter! For anyone not already aware, I am the new editor of the newsletter and will be striving to keep to the regular schedule of turning out an issue at the start of each month. If you have items for inclusion in future issues please send them to me at [huddartk@ualberta.ca](mailto:huddartk@ualberta.ca) by the 25th of the month. Please be aware though that SCORAI does not have the resources to devote significant attention to streamlining, copyediting, formatting, and other production tasks. Copy should be provided in the way that you would like it to appear. I look forward to hearing from you!  
Emily Huddart Kennedy

### **Consumer Studies Network Seeks Membership in ASA**

The Consumer Studies Research Network (CSRN) is seeking to become an official section of the American Sociological Association. If you are interested in supporting this effort, copy and paste the statement available on the CSRN website: <http://csrn.camden.rutgers.edu/>, and email it to [csrn2011@camden.rutgers.edu](mailto:csrn2011@camden.rutgers.edu).

### **Picnic for Degrowth, June 5**

June 5, 2011 marks the second edition of the "Picnic for Degrowth." Last year seventy cities participated in this event and we are trying to secure an even larger number this year! The idea is to picnic for degrowth, to support the people of Fukushima, and to champion a clean energy supply! Spread the word and include your picnic: <http://picnic4degrowth.net>.

### **New Publications by SCORAI Members and Friends**

Knight, Kyle & Eugene Rosa. 2011. The environmental efficiency of well-being: A cross-national analysis. *Social Science Research* 40:931-949 (revised version of the paper originally presented at the first SCORAI workshop at Clark University, Worcester, MA).

Sahakian, M. D. 2011. Understanding household energy consumption patterns: When "West is Best" in Metro Manila." *Energy Policy* 39(2): 596-602.

Sahakian, M. D. and J. K. Steinberger. 2011. Energy Reduction Through a Deeper Understanding of Household Consumption: Staying Cool in Metro

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Manila. *Journal of Industrial Ecology* 15(1): 31-48.

Wangel, J. 2011. Exploring social structures and agency in backcasting studies for sustainable development. *Technological Forecasting & Social Change* 78(5):872-882.

## **Upcoming Conferences & Workshops**

The final seminar in the ESRC-funded seminar series 'Geographies of Energy Transition: Security, Climate, Governance' will be held at the Royal Geographical Society, London on Friday June 17th. The programme for the day is available at

[http://www.le.ac.uk/gg/research/seminar\\_bradshaw\\_GET\\_seminar5.html](http://www.le.ac.uk/gg/research/seminar_bradshaw_GET_seminar5.html).

Third Biennial Transformative Consumer Research Conference, June 24-26, 2011, Baylor University, Waco, TX, USA

<http://www.baylor.edu/tcr>

U.S. Society for Ecological Economics Conference (Building the Green Economy), June 26-29, 2011, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, USA

<https://www.msu.edu/~ussee>

ESRC Seminar Series: Sustainability Transitions. Liverpool Foresight Centre, June, 30, 2011 (the event is free and lunch is provided, but a place must be reserved in advance; contact Pete North at

[P.J.North@liverpool.ac.uk](mailto:P.J.North@liverpool.ac.uk))

Beyond Green: Alternatives Assessment Sustainability Action Summer Institute, June 27-29, 2011 (for further information email [sasi@uml.edu](mailto:sasi@uml.edu))

Trans/national Clothing: Production and Consumption, Bath Spa University, Bath, UK. September 1-4, 2011 (abstracts due by July 1; further enquiries to Jo Turney [j.turney@bathspa.ac.uk](mailto:j.turney@bathspa.ac.uk))

Fifth International Consumer Sciences Research Conference (Consumer Behaviour for a Sustainable Future), July 18-20, 2011, Bonn, Germany

<http://www.consumer11.org>

Localism: Sufficient and Fit for Purpose? November 3, 2011, University of Manchester Conference Centre, Manchester, UK (to register or to submit an abstract see <https://eiemea.certain.com/rsa/getdemo.ei?id=1010023&s=50K0YSW2F>)

International Conference on Sustainable Consumption: Towards Action and Impact, November 6-8, 2011, Hamburg, Germany

<http://www.sustainableconsumption2011.org>

Sustainability in Crisis; Faith Group Responses to and Action on Sustainability. September 26-28, 2011. Cambridge, UK.

[www.sustainability-in-crisis](http://www.sustainability-in-crisis).

Third German Environmental Sociology Summit (Innovation and Sustainability: Beyond Technology), November 16-18, 2011, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-University, Frankfurt, Germany.

<http://www.gesellschaftswissenschaften.unifrankfurt.de/gess>

Eighth International Conference on Environmental, Cultural, Economic, and Social Sustainability, January 10-12, 2012, University of British Columbia,

Vancouver, Canada

<http://www.SustainabilityConference.com>

European Seminar on the "Geography of Innovation," January 26-28, 2012,  
Saint-Etienne

<http://www.eurolio.eu>

## **New SCORAI Affiliates**

SCORAI welcomes the following new participants to the network during the month of May. Total membership is currently 257 people.

Jeanine Cava (New Jersey Institute of Technology)

Rich Felsing (Brick City Bicycles)

Joshua Knoblick (Brick City Bicycles)

Gabriela Kuetting (Rutgers University)

Scott Iwicki (New Jersey Institute of Technology)

Helen Murphy (International Petroleum Industry Environmental  
Conservation Association)

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Roy Soong (New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection)

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