

# Sousse – Tunisia ISEE 2002 Environment & Development

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International Society for Ecological Economics

taking place at

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Université du Centre  
(Sousse, Tunisia)*

*and organised in co-operation  
with*



*The European Society for Ecological Economics (ESEE),  
The Centre d'Économie et d'Éthique pour l'Environnement et le Développement (C3ED)  
The Institut de Recherche sur le Développement (IRD),  
and the ISEE's regional societies — ANZSEE, CANSEE, Eco-Eco (Brazil), INSEE, ...*



Conference Theme :

## ◆ Environment and Development ◆

### Globalisation & the Challenges for Local & International Governance

For more than 30 years, environmental questions have been brought to the forefront of international development concerns. Since the 1970s, researchers from various economic, social and natural science domains have sought to formulate new approaches to the fundamental challenges of poverty, health, food security, environmental quality and economic and social justice, in the changing world context of international trade, technological innovation and communication (phenomena now often summarised under the heading “globalisation”). These are the sorts of preoccupations that led to the creation, more than 10 years ago, of the International Society for Ecological Economics (ISEE), and to the emergence of ecological economics networks world-wide.

The year 2002 for those working in international environment and development fields, is ‘Rio+ 10’. There is to be an important World Summit on Sustainable Development later in 2002, probably taking place in South Africa. We hope, therefore, that the 7th ISEE Conference can provide an important moment of focus, preparation and impetus for the Rio+ 10 international discussions.

Ecological Economics does not constitute a new single unified theory for or of sustainable development. The emergence of this field of activity signals, rather, the need for economic, social and natural science analyses to be brought together in new perspectives, responding to the concerns for ecological, social, economic and political dimensions of sustainability. On the one hand, there is a scientific attention to the importance of ecological processes and systems as the basis of durable economic activity, focussing on biophysical constraints, potentialities and risks. On the other hand there are complex socio-cultural and political dimensions of economic development and change.

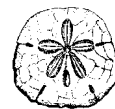
The agenda for Rio+ 10 challenges us to move beyond the simple recognition of biophysical limits to economic growth, in order to explore how, in what ways, and to what degrees the socio-economic objectives traditionally associated with growth can be reconciled with concerns for environmental quality and preoccupations with social justice and variety of cultural forms. These are the challenges that will be taken up in our ISEE Tunisia 2002 Conference programme. We expect to have a wide variety of keynote speakers addressing a large range of fundamental issues including:

- the science, management and governance of ecological resources (water, fisheries, forests, agricultural production, biodiversity)
- North-South relations such as climate change, biodiversity heritage, technology transfer and capacity building, ecologically unequal exchange
- The trends of “globalisation” (e.g., international trade, electronic commerce and communications, environmental pressures due to international tourism)
- Emerging paradigms and methods of analysis for addressing the scientific and political challenges of sustainability at local, national and international scales.

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The Conference is open to persons working in all relevant disciplines. Ecological economics envisages the use of analytical tools and concepts coming from many different fields of experience. Economic and policy science needs to open out to the insights and analytical techniques that may be offered from the sciences of nature (physical and life sciences), from engineering and technology assessment, and from the humanities and social sciences. In particular, we cannot address the crucial governance issues for sustainability unless analysis achieves the infusion of the “social dimension” — including cultural diversity, economic justice and inter-generational preoccupations. It is intended that the ISEE Tunisia 2002 Conference can be a forum for networks working at various scales of co-ordination — within Europe, around the Mediterranean basin, across north Africa and the Middle East, central and southern regions of Africa, and the rest of the world. Official languages of the Conference are English and French. Simultaneous translations will be made between English and French for plenary and semi-plenary sessions, so that the Conference is open to full participation of the Francophone as well as English-speaking world.

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## First Call for Papers and Poster Presentations

Proposals are now invited for presentations at the ISEE Tunisia 2002 Conference, in the forms of written/electronic papers to be presented in parallel thematic sessions or of posters (paper or electronic) to be on display.

Keynote speakers are currently being approached, and a detailed outline of themes for keynote and parallel sessions will be provided in April 2001.

Proposals are especially welcomed from networks of researchers, non-government organisations and development assistance agencies active in the field, including existing and emerging regional ecological economics societies.

Enquiries concerning scope for participation and proposals for special/thematic sessions should be addressed to the Conference Secretariat (see below) or directly to Martin O'Connor (ISEE Tunisia 2002 Conference Programme Secretary) at email [Martin.OConnor@c3ed.uvsq.fr](mailto:Martin.OConnor@c3ed.uvsq.fr).

## Travel, Accommodation and Programme Information

The Conference will open with lunch at midday on Wednesday 6 March 2002, and will close after lunch on Saturday 9 March 2002.

Sousse has a proud cultural history of more than 2000 years. It is now a major tourist destination with excellent hotel facilities. Comprehensive accommodation packages will be offered, inclusive of transport between the airport at Tunis and the conference venue, hotel accommodation for 3-5 nights, plus breakfasts, lunches and dinners.

Tunis is easy to reach from all major European cities and overseas. Advice on international air travel options will be made available. The conference programme will include an official dinner and some social/cultural events as options.

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# ISEE Tunisia 2002

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\*\* Notes: This Advisory Council will be augmented and complemented as follows. (1) Regional ecological economics societies (other than ESEE) will nominate 2 further persons onto the Advisory Committee. (2) Participants of the Conference who accept to give keynote addresses in Plenary or Semi-Plenary Sessions are also counted as advisors to the Conference Organisers. (3) Current members of the ISEE Board not otherwise named (Peter May, Jeroen van den Bergh, Sabine O'Hara) are also advisors ex officio. (4) The ISEE Tunisia Conference builds on the experience of earlier ISEE and ESEE Conferences held since 1990 in different parts of the world. (5) A variety of international organisations, networks and development agencies will be associated with the conference, and will be acknowledged individually as planning proceeds.

