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Join the first CCES Winter School on a strengthened dialogue between sustainability scientists and practitioners

Einsiedeln, January 10-13, 2011  
 and Männedorf, February 7-10, 2011

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## Strengthening the dialogue between science and practice

How can sustainability scientists lead a true dialogue with citizens? This is the topic of the first CCES Winter School «Sustainability Science Meets Practice». A dialogue between science and practice requires the capability of scientific community members to understand and critically reflect their scientific activities and their consequences for society and the environment. It is crucial that scientists themselves elaborate, in dialogue with stakeholders, relevance and implications of scientific findings. The CCES Winter School supports these efforts and enhances capability to create interactions beyond scientific boundaries.

## Why join the Winter School «Sustainability Science Meets Practice»?



### Linking environmental science and practice

The CCES Winter School is an opportunity to get in touch with practitioners, stakeholders, and the public. Participants will improve their capabilities to understand and analyze the foundations of their research as well as the societal implications of its results. Together with their peers the participants will reflect on their own scientific projects with respect to their societal embedding, relevance, and consequences. Participants will meet people from administration, policy, and the civil society and will dialogue beyond the scientific community. By joining the Winter School participants will acquire knowledge and skills for the dialogue between science and practice and will improve their capacities to develop concrete recommendations for concerted action.

### Building dialogue capacity beyond the scientific community

The Winter School provides insights into theoretical and methodological foundations on the challenges of knowledge exchange and dialogue between science and practice. It offers media and knowledge management training for enhancing stakeholder involvement. Selected case examples support group work discussions and analysis. Students-stakeholders network meetings are organized for testing techniques in view of identifying diverse expectations and needs. Together the Winter School participants and stakeholders work towards developing ideas for a better linking of environmental science and practice.

### Who can apply?

The Winter School addresses PhD students from environmental and natural sciences, engineering, and social sciences related to sustainability science. PhD students from CCES projects will be given priority. PhD students in the above fields from outside CCES are eligible if not all places are allocated to CCES students. The Winter School will run with a maximum of 25 participants. The language of the Winter School is English.

### When and where?

The Winter School will run in the near surroundings of Zurich during two block weeks. The first block week will take place in Einsiedeln from January 10 to 13, 2011 and is dedicated to lectures, group work and case-examples. The second block week will take place in Männedorf from February 7 to 10, 2011 and focuses on network meetings and case examples. The findings of the Winter School will be presented and discussed at the beginning of the spring term. Team work and tutorials will take place between the two block weeks. The total time requirement is in the range of 120 hours, equivalent to 4 ECTS.

### Costs

The participation fee is CHF 200 per participant. The fee covers the costs for the two external block weeks (excluding travel expenses to the seminar locations), organizational support as well as printed course documentation.

### How to apply

#### Application deadline:

October 31, 2010. You can download the application form at [www.cces.ethz.ch/winterschool](http://www.cces.ethz.ch/winterschool)

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