

## Information for Guest Practitioners

*The Global Environmental and Society Academy offers over 20 Masters Programmes across disciplines including Law, Informatics, Political and Social Science, GeoSciences, Art and Medicine. All students involved in these programmes are studying some aspect of environment, society or sustainability and are developing the skills needed to make a valuable contribution to these fields in their chosen careers.*

### Purpose

The purpose of the Researcher-Practitioner Event is to provide a structured forum for our Masters students to meet with professionals working in the environment and society sectors (including architecture, construction, forestry, carbon management, water management and public engagement and science communication). We are looking to facilitate a networking space for the exchange of innovative ideas, novel research proposals and practical experience between industry professionals and our students. We'd like to ensure that the benefits are realised by both students and practitioners and that's why we ask the question 'What can our Master's Students do for you?'

### How does it work?

The Researcher-Practitioner Event is organised into **3 sets of 20 clusters** or themed discussion groups. Within each of these themed groups, practitioners, teaching staff and students will share knowledge, best practise and industry intelligence in connection with the theme of their cluster. In addition, students may 'pitch' to practitioners their research propositions, identifying potential opportunities for collaborative working and projects going forward.

### What can our Masters Students do for you?

Having matched over 20 students to practitioners at our last event of this kind, we are confident that many of the research pitches will be of interest to our external partners. In the event of a 'match' external practitioners may wish to offer a work based project to one of our Masters students to mutually beneficial ends – you get someone bright and enthusiastic with the knowledge and raw ability to carry out research work for your organisation and our students enjoy the opportunity for relevant work experience. Our Masters students can make a valuable contribution to your organisation, offering research time, and a copy of the dissertation findings.

### Event logistics

12:30-13:30 – Practitioner Lunch and Networking  
13:30-14:00 – Student Arrival and Registration, Tea and Coffee  
14:00-14:05 – Welcome  
14:05-14:45 – Cluster Session 1  
14:45-15:30 – Cluster Session 2  
15:30-16:00 – Tea, Coffee, Networking  
16:00-16:45 – Cluster Session 3  
17:00-19:00 – Drinks and Informal networking