

30th Congress of the International Geographical Union Glasgow, Scotland, 15 – 20 August 2004

As you know, COMLAND is a Commission of the International Geographical Union (IGU). IGU holds its next four-yearly main Congress in Glasgow on 15-20 August 2004. We are very keen for COMLAND to be well supported in Glasgow, and hope members will participate in large numbers.

We have therefore asked the IGU organisers for three slots.

1. a special theme on Challenges to Land Management in Cool Temperate Environments (further details are provided below).
2. a joint symposium with the Commission on Water Sustainability. The title of the symposium is Integrated Catchment Management: Theory and Practice.
3. an open session on Land Degradation, which will enable COMLAND members (and others) to present papers on any aspect of our Commission not covered by the first two themes.

Further details follow.

1. Challenges to Land Management in Cool Temperate Environments, with a supporting post-Congress field trip, is being organised by Prof Donald Davidson. We have been negotiating with an interested publisher to produce a book comprising the papers on this themes and sub-themes. For this reason early indications of interest, with paper titles and abstracts, would be appreciated. Papers will of course be subject to the usual rigorous refereeing process. Interested people should contact Prof Davidson at d.a.davidson@stir.ac.uk
For further details click here:
http://www.comland-commission.com/glasgow-symposium_and_field-trip.pdf
2. For the joint symposium on Integrated Catchment Management: Theory and Practice, please contact arthur.conacher@uwa.edu.au or the Chair of the Water Sustainability Commission, Prof Tony Jones at jaj@aber.ac.uk
3. For the 'open' COMLAND session on Land Degradation, please contact arthur.conacher@uwa.edu.au

The IGU has a website, being updated regularly:

<http://www.meetingmakers.co.uk/IGC-UK2004>

COMLAND members should register their interest there. We will soon be asking you to submit your abstracts to us.