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Performance-based conservation finance: lessons from reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation

Background

Both government policy and voluntary initiatives for biodiversity conservation and climate change mitigation have incorporated performance-based mechanisms. It is expected that these mechanisms will be more effective than traditional conservation approaches, experience with Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation+ (REDD+) indicates that the success depends on careful design to ensure incentives for various stakeholders and lead to net conservation gains. This lecture will focus on and highlight examples of successful mechanism designs.



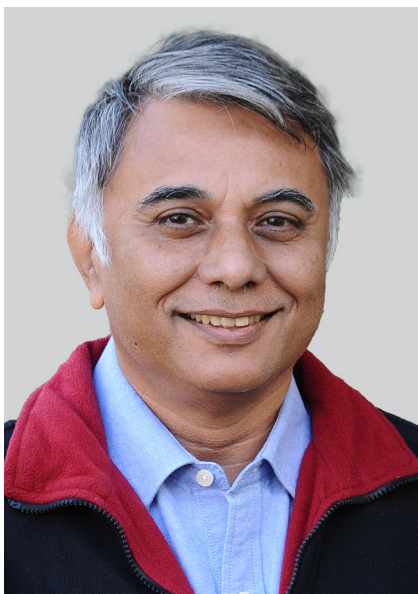
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About the lecturer

Erin O Sills is the Edwin F Conger Professor and Head of the Department of Forestry and Environmental Resources at North Carolina State University, North Carolina, United States. She was a research associate at the Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR), Environment for Development (EfD), and Institute of Man and Environment of the Amazon (Imazon). Her research is about the interface of environment and development economics, including design and evaluation of climate change mitigation strategies such as reducing emissions from deforestation and degradation, and the conservation of forest carbon stocks.



MODERATOR



Pranab Mukhopadhyay, PhD

Pranab Mukhopadhyay is the Professor of Economics and Vice-Dean (Research) at the Goa Business School, Goa University, India. He is a fellow and Technical Committee Member of SANDEE. He is also the past (2016 – 18) President of the Indian Society for Ecological Economics (INSEE). Earlier, he worked as an environmental economist for the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), Nepal. He is the current editor of Ecology, Economy, and Society – the INSEE Journal. His research interests include managing commons, nature and society, sustainable development, ecosystem services, and economic growth. Prof. Mukhopadhyay studied economics at Presidency College, Calcutta and Jawaharlal Nehru University, India.

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