PEOPLE
Janet Munn retires from her position as the Department’s business manager on January 4. Janet has served MSU for 40 years, all with the Dept. of Agricultural Economics, now AFRE. We will miss her!
April Stellard joins us this month as AFRE’s business manager. She comes to us from MSU Small Animal Clinical Sciences where she was their business manager. April’s office is in 202 Ag Hall (stellar@msu.edu; 355-4788).
David Ortega (PhD, Purdue 2012) joins us this month as assistant professor, working on economics of food consumption and food safety. His office is 306 Ag Hall (dlortega@msu.edu; 353-2981).
Theodoros Skevas (PhD, Wageningen 2012) joins us this month as postdoctoral research associate in bioenergy economics with the Great Lakes Bioenergy Research Center. Theo’s office is initially in 202 Ag Hall (skevast@msu.edu; 355-4705).
Tim Komarek, (PhD 2012) joined Harley Langdale, Jr. College of Business Administration in Valdosta, GA, as an Assistant Professor in Department of Marketing and Economics starting August 2012.

SEMINARS
Christine Moser, Professor of Economics, Western Michigan University. “Voter Response to Conservation Policies in Forested Areas of Madagascar.” Thursday, January 10, 3:30pm. Room 75, Agriculture Hall.
Alan de Brauw, Senior Research Fellow, IFPRI. “Biofortification, Crop Adoption and Health Information: Impact Pathways in Mozambique and Uganda” Thursday, January 17, 3:30pm. Room 75, Agriculture Hall.

PUBLICATIONS

FELLOWSHIP
The Norman E. Borlaug Leadership Enhancement in Agriculture Program is accepting applications from sub-Saharan African students conducting research on topics related to the US Government’s global hunger initiative--Feed the Future. All topics related to agriculture (as defined by Title XII) and the Feed the Future initiative are admissible. The deadline for receipt of applications is January 17, 2013 to be
JOBS
The European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (EAERE), Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei (FEEM) and Venice International University (VIU) are pleased to announce their annual European Summer School in Resource and Environmental Economics for postgraduate students. The 2013 Summer School will take place from June 30th to July 6th, at the VIU campus on the Island of San Servolo, in Venice, located just in front of St. Mark’s Square. The theme of this Summer School is Uncertainty, Innovation and Climate Change. www.feem.it/ess/
Deadline for applications: February 1, 2013
North Carolina State University, Assistant/Associate Professor in Development Economics. It is anticipated that the selected candidate will be hired within the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics (ARE). Teaching, research and mentoring responsibilities will be allocated evenly between the needs of the home department and the interdisciplinary GES program. A detailed Statement of Expectations will be developed for the incumbent to insure that faculty roles and evaluation procedures are clear. http://jobs.ncsu.edu/postings/

Happy New Year 2013!

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