



**The Global Land Project Nodal Office on  
Integration and Modelling, Aberdeen, UK**

**1<sup>st</sup> ANNOUNCEMENT for the  
Global Land Project Workshop on**

**‘Representation of Ecosystem Services in the modelling of Land  
Systems’**

19<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> March 2010

The Macaulay Land Use Research Institute  
Aberdeen, UK

Understanding ecosystem services is increasingly important as land planners and policy makers make sustainable land management choices. Clear representation and description of ecosystem services provided by land systems is crucial to decision making and planning and contributes to understanding complex relationships between society and environment. This workshop will explore measurement and representation of ecosystem services in land systems and models for application in policy and practice. The workshop will provide an opportunity for leading international researchers in land system science, spatial and process modelling of coupled natural and human systems, and ecosystem services to produce a new research agenda on modelling ecosystem services.

We aim to produce a number of synthesis papers in a peer reviewed journal based on the workshop output. The workshop will also be a networking exercise with the aim of identifying sub-groups of researchers with common interests.

If you are interested in participating, please send a one page abstract describing your interest in the topic and your background before 8<sup>th</sup> January 2010 to Carol Ann Stannard [c.stannard@macaulay.ac.uk](mailto:c.stannard@macaulay.ac.uk).

All final participants will be required to provide a short paper (3 pages maximum) before the workshop describing their prior experience in relation to the workshop topic, as well as their aspirations and approach to integrating ecosystem services into land system science. The papers will be circulated to all participants prior to the meeting via the meeting website.

For a more detailed outline of the workshop topics please see <http://glp.macaulay.ac.uk/documents/Workshop19March2010.pdf>