

THE 9TH INTERNATIONAL PERMACULTURE CONVERGENCE (IPC9)

DESIGNING SOLUTIONS FOR A SUSTAINBLE FUTURE – PLAN AFRICA: FOOD & EMPOWERMENT

Kumbali Village, Lilongwe, Malawi. 2 to 5 November 2009

Sunday 1 st November 2009	ARRIVAL DAY			
14.00 to 18.30	Registration			Village Roundaval
18.30 to 19.30	Dinner			
19.30 to 21.00	Around the bonfire and under the full moon – meet new people with live music in the background			
Monday 2 nd November	DAY ONE OF THE CONVERGENCE			
07.30 to 08.30	Registration of day participants			
08.30 to 09.00	Welcome remarks			Patron, Permaculture Network in Malawi; Member, International Permaculture Council; IPC9 Coordinator
09.00 to 09.15	Convergence Programme and venue information			
09.15 to 10.00	Key note speech. Wangari Maathai, Nobel Peace Prize for the Environment Winner, Kenya			
10.00 to 10.30	Health break			
10.30 to 11.10	Overview of Permaculture in Austaralia – John Champagne	Spirituality, Water and Food By Ed Mendoza, Indigenous Permaculture de Atzlan, USA	Natural Herbal Remedies to Treat and Prevent Tropical Diseases. A workshop by Godfrey Nyarutila, Global Resources Alliance, Musoma Village, LakeVictoria region, Tanzania	
11.10 to 11.50	The Role of Permaculture in Community Based Adaptation and Mitigation in Liberia	School Health and Nutrition – Productive School Environments in Malawi, Stacia Nordin, GTZ,		

	Rosemary E. Mbone Sweet Africa Foundation	Malawi		
11.50 to 12.30	Permaculture Applications in Central California By Mr. Benjamin Fahrner, USA	Slideshow presentation of Musango Cultural Centre Project. James Mujuru, Musango Cultural Centre, Zimbabwe		
12.30 to 13.30	Lunch break			
13.30 to 14.30	The Permaculture Credit Union. By Wesly Roe, Santa Barbara Permaculture, USA	Fire and Water: Tools of Habitat Development and Transformation By Linda Weintraub, USA	Natural Habitat, no digging garden, and bottle watering. Admire Gwatidzo, Kufunda Village, Zimbabwe	
14.30 to 15.00	Sustainable Agriculture Practices in Andhrapradesh By Pandmavatti Koppula, Aranyanet, India	Ali Sharif, Founder and International Coordinator, Permaculture America Latina (PAL), USA and Brazil		
15.00 to 15.30	Health break			
15.30 to 16.20	The work of Permaculture Research International worldwide establishing aid projects By Geoff Lawton Permaculture Research International, Australia		Ecological Sanitation - Seven Ways Urine Can Save the World Type of presentation: Panel Discussion led by Gail Swithenbank, USA	
16.20 to 17.10				
17.10 to 18.00	Kumbali walk about – Nature’s Gift Centre			Eston Mgala, Malawi
18.30 to 19.30	Dinner			

19.30 to 21.00	Video night: SEEDS etc				
Tuesday 3 rd November	DAY TWO				
08.00 to 08.30	Announcements and lifting the spirits				
08.30 to 09.00	Introduction to open space technology				
09.00 to 10.00	Key note speech. John Wilson, Free Range Consultant, Zimbabwe				
10.30 to 11.10	The work of Permaculture sustainable consulting internationally By Geoff Lawton Permaculture Research International, Australia	Natural Remedies for the Treatment and Prevention of Malaria Dr. Tara Blasco, Global Resources Alliance, Tanzania			
11.10 to 11.50	Dr. Kristin Lyons, Griffith University, Australia	Good Water in Hard Rock. by Lyn Herbenstreit, Global Resources Alliance, Tanzania			
11.50 to 12.30					
12.30 to 13.30	Lunch break				
13.30 to 14.20					
14.20 to 15.00					
15.00 to 15.30	Health break				
15.30 to 17.10	OPEN SPACE 1: Plan Africa: Food Empowerment	OPEN SPACE 2: Permaculture Education and Training	OPEN SPACE 3: Green Economics, Gender and Health	OPEN SPACE 4: Chaordic - Open for any issues to be determined by those who turn up	
17.10 to 18.00	Kumbali walk about – Organic garden				Mada Siebert

18.30 to 19.30	Dinner				
19.30 to 21.00	Networking evening with live music				
Wednesday 4th November	DAY THREE OF THE CONVERGENCE				
08.00 to 08.30	Announcements and lifting the spirits				
08.30 to 09.30	Key note speech: Holistic Management and grazing area management By Osmond Mugweni, Africa 2000, Zimbabwe				
09.30 to 10.30	Presentations by countries bidding to host the 10 th International Permaculture Conference and Convergence (IPC 10)				
10.00 to 10.30	Health break				
10.30 to 12.30	OPEN SPACE 1	OPEN SPACE 2	OPEN SPACE 3	OPEN SPACE 4	
12.30 to 13.30	Lunch break				
13.30 to 15.00	OPEN SPACE 1	OPEN SPACE 2	OPEN SPACE 3	OPEN SPACE 4	
15.00 to 15.30	Health break				
15.30 to 17.00	OPEN SPACE 1	OPEN SPACE 2	OPEN SPACE 3	OPEN SPACE 4	
17.10 to 18.10	Kumbali Walk About: The farm – Guy Pickering				
18.30 to 19.30	Dinner				
19.30 to 22.30	Cultural Evening: Live performances by Malawian group				
Thursday 5th of November	4TH and Final Day of the Convergence				
08.00 to 08.30	Announcements and lifting the spirits				
08.30 to 09.30	Key note speaker: Mariam Mayet, Africa Centre for Bio Safety, South Africa				
09.30 to 10.00	OPEN SPACE 1	OPEN SPACE 2	OPEN SPACE 3	OPEN SPACE 4	
10.00 to 10.30	Health break				
10.30 to 12.30	OPEN SPACE 1: Finalise plenary presentation	OPEN SPACE 2: Finalise plenary presentation	OPEN SPACE 3: Finalise plenary presentation	OPEN SPACE 4: Finalise plenary presentation	
12.30 to 13.30	LUNCH BREAK				

13.30 to 15.00	Plenary presentations by rapporteurs from the open spaces	
15.00 to 15.30	Health break	
15.30 to 17.00	Closing procedures From IPC 9 to IPC 10	
17.00 to 18.30	Finalising displays for the conference	
18.30 to 19.30	Dinner	
19.30 to 21.00	Networking evening with live music	

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Conference overview

The IPC9 conference brings together Permaculture practitioners, the public and relevant institutions to share on the inspirational stories from grass roots people coming from all continents who have used Permaculture and related approaches to transform their lives towards sustainable living. The conference is an opportunity to build alliances and to begin to shape strategies that can be used to mainstream functional land design as a tool for sustainable development.

Conference objectives

1. To bring together Permaculture practitioners, farmers, learners, extensionists, members, the public and government and civil society agencies to network and share knowledge and strategies
2. To provide a platform where ecologically sustainable initiatives, projects, programmes, best practices are show cased and positioned for scaling up through linkages
3. To build synergies towards a Plan Africa for the empowerment of African communities for food sovereignty, nutrition security and improved sustainable livelihoods.

07.30 to 08.00	Registration	
08.00 to 08.30	Opening remarks	Coordinator, Permaculture Network in Malawi; Member, International Permaculture Council; IPC9 Coordinator

08.30 to 09.10	Permaculture – The promise (A performance)		John Wilson and group
09.10 to 09.50	Yield in the first year of a rainfed African multi-cropping design system		Kasisi Permaculture trial plot team representative
09.50 to 10.05	Permaculture as a strategy for South African villages		Dr. Terry Leah, Newcastle University, Australia
10.05 to 10.30	Plan Africa: Food & Empowerment – Strategies from the convergence		Rapporteur from the convergence
10.30 to 11.00	Health break		
11.00 to 11.40	Tree planting : IPC9 forest		Local community and or Nature’s Gift Permaculture Centre
11.40 to 12.30	Officiation of the conference		Guest of honour, Malawi Government
12.30 to 13.30	Lunch break		
13.30 to 14.10	The Impact of Integrated Aquaculture Agriculture (IAA) on Livelihoods in Northern Malawi. Dr. Simtowe, Bunda College, Malawi	Markets and displays	
14.10 to 14.40			
14.40 to 15.00	Poster session		
15.00 to 15.30	Health break		
15.30 to 16.30	Markets and displays:		
16.30 to 17.00	Closing procedures		
17.00	End of day		