Opportunities of Interest

Klaus Töpfer Sustainability Fellowship 2021/2022 at IASS (Potsdam, Germany)
The Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies (IASS) is seeking applications from highly talented young early to mid-career professionals who have worked for at least ten years on sustainability issues and have the potential to serve as change agents towards sustainable development. Applicants from the fields of academia, politics, civil society, business, and the arts are invited to submit their applications by 12 April 2021. For further information on how to apply, please check the Call for applications 2021. https://www.iass-potsdam.de/en/news/iass-calls-applications-klaus-topfer-sustainability-fellowship

Mary Fran Myers Scholarship 2021 from the Natural Hazards Center (Boulder, Colorado, USA)
The Natural Hazards Center recognizes outstanding individuals committed to disaster research and practice and have the potential to make a lasting contribution to reducing disaster vulnerability by offering the Mary Fran Myers Scholarship. At least one scholarship recipient this year will receive financial support to virtually attend the Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop in 2021, as well as they will have their fees waived to travel and register to attend the next in-person Workshop. Application deadline: March 15, 2021. For more details on this call, please check this webpage. https://hazards.colorado.edu/awards/myers-scholarship

5th Call for InsuResilience Solutions Fund Proposals: Innovative Climate Risk Insurance Wanted

The InsuResilience Solutions Fund (ISF) supports the development of innovative and sustainable climate risk insurance products in countries of Latin America, Africa and Asia eligible to receive official development assistance (ODA) with grand-based co-funding. In light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, a holistic approach on disaster relief and preparedness seems more vital than ever in order to compensate (in-)direct effects on economic development and growth of ODA countries. Thus, the ISF especially welcomes project concepts targeting the sectors most vulnerable to effects of the pandemic, such as critical infrastructure, emergency relief and financial support of (M)SMEs, with products focusing on providing coverage against climate change related perils such as flood, wind/storm, excess rain, drought/heat wave, cold spells (in combination with others) Application deadline: April 16, 2021. More details on this webpage. https://www.insuresilience.org/blog/2021/02/17/innovative-climate-risk-insurance-wanted-5th-call-for-proposals-of-the-isf-is-open-now/

Publications of Interest

The global impact of COVID-19

The latest issue from the All India Disaster Mitigation Institute (AIDMI) highlights the consequences, implications, risks and opportunities of the COVID-19 pandemic on our current world order. The pandemic and its response, in the form of protracted nationwide lockdowns, have had several short-term as well as long term impacts on human health, society, economy and environment. Hence, it is important to draw lessons from this pandemic to amplify our future preparedness and response capacities to similar shocks. https://www.preventionweb.net/files/76125_theglobalimpactofcovid19.pdf

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