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## Announcement

'Brown Bag Lunch' with Kirk Hamilton, Lead Environment Economist from the World Bank: "The Changing Wealth of Nations - Measuring sustainable development in the new millennium"

Sustainability Science Centre, University of Copenhagen, is pleased to invite to a 'brown bag lunch' on the 6<sup>th</sup> of April, 12.30-13.30 with Lead Environment Economist Kirk Hamilton from the World Bank. He will give the lecture: "The Changing Wealth of Nations - Measuring sustainable development in the new millennium" which is also the title of a new book published by the World Bank.

The main thesis of the book is: "How we measure development will drive how we do development." Dr. Hamilton will present findings from a large study measuring the change in wealth from 1995-2005 in over 100 countries. For example, the study finds that in 2005 natural capital (forests, farmland, minerals and energy) constituted 20-35% of the total wealth of developing countries, exceeding the share of produced capital in low income countries. Intangible wealth, that is an amalgam of human and institutional capital, is by far the largest share of total wealth in virtually all countries. New analysis highlights the role of intangible wealth in development and the value of accumulated stocks of carbon dioxide emitted by countries and regions. So come and use this opportunity to hear Dr. Hamilton ideas on how to measure sustainable development.

Kirk Hamilton is a lead economist in the Development Research Group at the World Bank, a co-author of "The Changing Wealth of Nations" (2011), "World Development Report 2010: Development and Climate Change," and the principal author of "Where is the Wealth of Nations?" (2006). He leads research on the links between poverty and environment, 'greening' the national accounts, and the economics of climate change. Prior to joining the World Bank, Dr. Hamilton was a senior research fellow at the UK Centre for Social and Economic Research on the Global Environment, and Deputy Director of National Accounts for the government of Canada, where he started Canada's work on comprehensive wealth measurement. He has a PhD in economics from University College London.

We look forward to the lecture. See you there.

## Details

Date: April 6<sup>th</sup>, 12.30 – 13.30

Place: Forest & Landscape, Rolighedsvej 23, in "von Langen"

Introduction and moderation: Director, professor, dr. Niels Elers Koch, Forest & Landscape, LIFE, University of Copenhagen

Host: Sustainability Science Centre, University of Copenhagen.

The lecture will be in English.

You are welcome to bring your own lunch. Water, coffee and tea will be available.

Participation is free of charge. Sign up before the 5<sup>th</sup> of April, at 12.

[http://klima.ku.dk/sustainability\\_lectures/kirk\\_hamilton/](http://klima.ku.dk/sustainability_lectures/kirk_hamilton/)

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