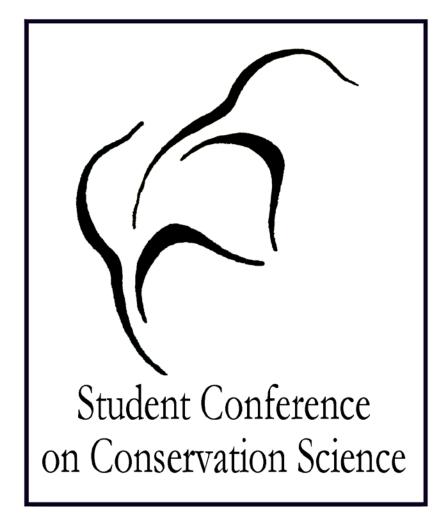
Conference Report



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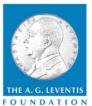
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Student Conference on Conservation Science

Report on the Eighteenth Conference, 28 - 30 March 2017

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The eighteenth conference in the series was held in the Department of Zoology, University of Cambridge and was attended by over 300 people including 183 postgraduate students working in conservation science. Student delegates attended from the following 59 countries:

Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Croatia, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Georgia*, Germany, Ghana, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Iran, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan*, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Mozambique, Netherlands, Nicaragua*, Nigeria, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico*, Romania, Rwanda, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Tanzania, Thailand, UK, USA, Vietnam, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

The four countries marked with asterisks were represented by student delegates for the first time in 2017. Over the entire conference series, 132 countries have now been represented by 3000 student delegates.

The full programme of the conference is provided later in the report. It included 32 talks and 98 posters contributed by research students and four plenary lectures by distinguished senior scientists and conservation practitioners. Every student contributing a talk or poster was provided with written feedback on their presentation by a senior conservationist. The plenary lectures were given by Dr Brendan Fisher (University of Vermont, USA), Dr Mwangi Githiru (Biodiversity & Social Monitoring, AfricaWildlife Works, Kenya), Dr Heather Koldewey (Zoological Society of London, UK) and Dr Juliet Vickery (RSPB, UK).

A special feature of the conference is the role played by conservation practitioners. Overall, the conference was visited by 93 staff or representatives from 37 conservation agencies, institutes and NGOs. A poster session *Who's who in conservation?* was held in the David Attenborough Building, at which 28 conservation agencies, institutes and NGOs displayed posters and provided staff to describe their work and answer queries. The following organisations contributed to the conference in this or in other ways:

American Association for the Advancement of Science (Science Magazine), Arcadia Fund, A Rocha - Christians in Conservation, Bat Conservation Trust, BirdLife International, Botanic Gardens Conservation International, British Antarctic Survey, British Ecological Society, British Trust for Ornithology, Buglife, Butterfly Conservation-Europe, Cambridge Conservation Forum, Cambridge Conservation Initiative, Cambridge University Botanic Garden, Cambridgeshire Mammal Group, Chester Zoo, Conservation Evidence, Conservation Leadership Programme, Conservation Research Limited, Fauna & Flora International, Global Trees Campaign, IUCN, Luc Hoffmann Institute, Natural England, Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, Society for Conservation Biology: Europe Section, The Biodiversity Consultancy, TRAFFIC, Tropical Biology Association, UNEP-WCMC, University of Cambridge Conservation Research Institute, Whitley Fund for Nature, WILDLABS, Wildlife Conservation Society, Wildlife Works Kenya, and Zoological Society of London.

Twenty-seven conservation scientists from various departments of the University of Cambridge and Anglia Ruskin University, Institute of Zoology, Bangor University, University of East Anglia, University of Exeter, University of Kent, University of Oxford, and University of Vermont participated in the conference.

As in previous years, we held two Conference workshop sessions and offered ten 90-minute workshops, two of which were held twice (Table 1). We invited experts on some of the practical skills important to graduate students to present workshops with a "how to…" focus.

Analysis of feedback from student delegates

We received 72 feedback forms, though some people did not answer every question. In Table 2 we present the percentage of respondents giving various answers to each question. The great majority of delegates rated the conference as good or excellent and were happy with the conference events and scheduling. Comparison was made with responses to the same questions in previous years for 2000 (83 responses), 2001 (62), 2002 (72), 2003 (71), 2004 (76), 2005 (91), 2006 (106), 2007 (95), 2008 (82), 2009 (89), 2010 (105), 2011 (96), 2012 (75), 2013 (104), 2014 (113),2015 (106), and 2016 (84). Results are shown for all years except where a new question was asked or an event was not held in all years. Fluctuations in the ratings over time have been rather small for most questions (Table 3). The feedback received in 2017 was more positive than average, especially regarding the workshops and *Who's who in conservation?*, which had record high approval scores.

Table 1. Workshops presented at the eighteenth Student Conference on Conservation Science.

Workshop title	Leaders	Affiliation
Practical conservation genetics	Bill Amos	Department of Zoology, University of Cambridge
Planning a conservation research programme	William J. Sutherland	Department of Zoology, University of Cambridge
Economics is cool And important for conservation	Brendan Fisher	Rubenstein School of Environment and Natural Resources, University of Vermont, USA
Raising funds for your conservation project	Rosie Trevelyan	Tropical Biology Association
Economic Analysis of Natural Capital and Ecosystem Services	Ian Bateman	UK Natural Capital Committee and Land, Environment, Economics and Policy Institute (LEEP) University of Exeter, UK
How to write a scientific paper, or how to avoid Snoopy's problem	Martin Fisher	Editor of Oryx, Fauna & Flora International, Cambridge
Biodiversity and development projects: striking the balance between science and practice in biodiversity offset design	Robin Mitchell and Eugenie Regan	The Biodiversity Consultancy, Cambridge
Common pitfalls of social survey design and how to avoid them	Julia Jones	School of Environment, Natural Resources and Geography, Bangor University
Using Conservation Evidence to answer conservation questions	William J. Sutherland and Claire Wordley	Department of Zoology, University of Cambridge
A Basic Introduction to Statistics for Conservation Science: Study Design and Analysis	Alison Johnston	British Trust for Ornithology

Table 2. Percentages of 72 feedback respondents at the eighteenth Student Conference on Conservation Science who gave various answers to the questions on the form.

Question	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
How did you rate the conference overall?	75	24	1	0
How did you rate the plenary talks?	58	38	4	0
How did you rate Who's who in				
conservation?	38	42	17	3
How did you rate the workshops?	64	32	5	0

	Too many/much?	About right?	Too few/little?
What did you think about the number of student talks?	11	82	7
What did you think about the time available to discuss student talks?	4	90	6
What did you think about the time available for student posters?	11	77	11

	Strongly agree	Agree	Can't decide	No	
Would you like to see another conference					
run along similar lines next year?	69	24	7	0	

Table 3. Comparison of ratings of the conference by delegates in 2000 - 2017. Responses were scored from zero (e.g. "Poor" or "No") to 3 (e.g. "Excellent" or "Strongly agree"). The total for all respondents was calculated and expressed as a percentage of the maximum total if all respondents had expressed their approval at the highest possible level. The table shows these percentages for all years, except for events that were not held in all years or questions not on the feedback form in all years.

Question	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
How did you rate the conference overall?	83	88	82	87	92	79	88	87	89	92	87	90	85	86	93	86	89	91
What did you think about the number of student talks?	68	85	83	89	87	87	89	83	91	90	86	90	91	93	90	90	95	82
Did you find the time allocated to discussion after the student talks adequate?	82	69	76	82	81	88	78	87	89	82	89	90	87	90	97	89	90	90
Did you find the time allocated to student posters adequate?			86	78	77	72	76	66	78	72	78	80	65	75	77	79	57	78
How did you rate the plenary talks?	79	82	86	88	86	79	84	84	84	84	87	85	78	87	89	84	83	85
How did you rate the workshops?	51	58	49	70	77	73	79	80	76	79	80	80	81	79	84	76	77	87
How did you rate Who's who in conservation?		65	61	63	61	64	58	61	61	62	63	66	65	61	68	63	67	72
Would you like to see another conference run along similar lines next year?	91	91	88	92	93	86	91	90	93	90	87	95	91	88	92	86	89	88

Prizes

Members of the Conference Advisory Committee and other experts selected the best three talks and the best three posters. The prizes consisted of journal subscriptions donated by the Society for Conservation Biology and Elsevier and books donated by Cambridge University Press and CABI. Prize winners are listed in Table 4. Congratulations to all of them.

Prizes for best three reports by participants in the Miriam Rothschild Internship Scheme are donated by Oryx - The International Journal of Conservation, Fauna & Flora International and Cambridge University Press and will be awarded later in the year.

Table 4. Prize winners for student talks and posters at SCCS 2017.

Category	Winner	Subject
Best talk	Ardiantiono	15 years of managing human-elephant
		conflict in Sumatra
Second best talk	Di Zhang	Changes in China's forests since 2000
Third best talk	Esteban Brenes-Mora	Roads and habitat use by the Endangered
		Baird's tapir
Best poster	Alexandre Chausson	Socio-psychological drivers of urban
		bushmeat demand
Second best poster	Maribel Recharte	Coexistence with aquatic predators
Third best poster	Claire Stewart	Surveying Data Deficient Mammals

Conference Bursaries, Grants and Internships

The travel and subsistence costs of nine student delegates from Brazil (2), Ethiopia, Ghana, India (2), Iran, Madagascar and Tanzania were wholly covered by conference bursaries. Six other delegates from China, India (2), Indonesia, Mauritius and South Africa were assisted by grants. All the supported delegates presented talks and posters at the Conference. In addition, fifteen conference delegates were supported by the Miriam Rothschild Travel Bursary Programme to attend the conference and also to spend up to a month working on conservation related projects with universities, non-governmental organisations and agencies in the UK. These interns came from Brazil (3), China, Costa Rica, Ghana, India (4), Madagascar, Mexico, Mongolia, Nigeria and South Africa.

Short Courses

We continued our programme of short courses for interns and holders of bursaries and grants. In total, 29 delegates participated. This programme began in 2012 and is funded by a grant from Arcadia. Three short courses of 3

days duration were held before the conference: *Getting started in R for analysis of conservation science data* (Will Cresswell, University of St Andrews) by 13 students; *Using Geographical Information Systems (GIS) in conservation science* (Ian Edwards, myAcorn Ltd) by 8 students; and *A practical introduction to social survey design for conservation science* (Freya St John, Bangor University) by 8 students. All three short courses received extremely positive feedback. Scores were requested on a scale from Excellent (3) to Poor (0). Overall, the total scores allocated were 86% of the maximum possible, with similar levels of support for all of the courses. Delegates said they were "very likely" (86%) or "likely" (14%) to apply the skills learnt on the courses in their work back home.

Nineteenth Student Conference on Conservation Science in Cambridge in 2018

The next conference in the Cambridge series will be held in the Department of Zoology, University of Cambridge, 27–29 March 2018. The plenary speakers will be Dr. Paula Kahumbu (CEO of WildlifeDirect), Professor David Kleijn (Wageneingen University and Research), Professor Rashid Sumaila (University of British Columbia) and Professor Rosie Woodroffe (Institute of Zoology, Zoological Society of London). Updates on the programme will be posted on the conference website http://www.sccs-cam.org/.

SCCS series in India, USA, Australia, China and Hungary.

The seventh conferences in the sister series of the Student Conference on Conservation Science family were held in Bangalore (India) and New York (USA) in 2016. The next SCCS in Bangalore will be 21–24 September 2017 and the eighth New York conference on 11–13 October 2017. Details of the Bangalore conference are at http://www.sccs-bng.org/ and of the New York conference at http://symposia.cbc.amnh.org/sccsny/. The second SCCS Australia was held in Brisbane in January 2015 (see http://www.sccs-aus.org/). The third conference in the SCCS-Beijing series was held in 2015 (see http://www.beijingforum.org/). The second of a new SCCS conference series was held in Hungary in September 2016 and the third will be held 29 August – 2 September 2017 (see http://sccs.okologia.mta.hu/). Latest news of all SCCS sister conferences is also posted on http://www.sccs-cam.org/.

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Programme

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Tuesday 28 March 2017

08.30 - 09.30 09.30 - 09.45 09.45 - 10.00 10.00 - 11.00 Behaviour	Registration in Department of Zoology (Elementary Lab) Welcome Chris Abell (Pro Vice-Chancellor, University of Cambridge, UK) Introduction to the conference Rosie Trevelyan (Tropical Biology Association, UK) Plenary talk Brendan Fisher (University of Vermont, USA) al economics and its potential to improve conservation outcomes Chair: Andrew Sugden (Science, UK)
11.00 - 11.30	Coffee (Elementary Lab)
Social impacts Governance of Using Wikiped	Student talks: Session 1 Chair: David Rose (University of Cambridge, UK) of protected areas in Nepal Malagasy forests Mijasoa Andriamarovololona (M'gascar) ia to quantify cultural interest in species Iohn Mittermeier (USA) aservation: the role of flagship species and identifiable victims Laura Thomas-Walters (UK)
12.50 - 14.00	Student posters: Session 1, with lunch (Elementary Lab)
14.00 - 15.30	Workshops: Session 1
15.40 - 16.20	Tea (Elementary Lab)
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	Who's who in conservation? (David Attenborough Building) om conservation organisations, pizza and drinks, sponsored by <i>Science</i>
	Evening session (Babbage Lecture Theatre) #EarthOptimism Rosie Trevelyan (Tropical Biology Association, UK)
From conserv	Juliet Vickery (RSPB, UK) ation science to conservation policy: safeguarding species and sites a panel discussion Chair: Martin Harper (RSPB, UK)

Wednesday 29 March 2017

08.30 - 09.00 Registration (Elementary Lab) 09.00 - 10.00 Plenary talk Mwangi Githiru (Wildlife Works, Kenya) Implementing REDD+: policy and practical issues from local to national levels Chair: Melanie Heath (BirdLife International, UK) 10.00 - 11.00 **Student talks: Session 3** Tracking and tackling habitat loss Chair: Humphrey Crick (Natural England & CCF, UK) Changes in China's forests since 2000 Di Zhang (China) Does recovery of ecosystems equal recovery of ecosystem services? Sarai Pouso (Spain) Conservation action across ecosystem boundaries Michaela Roberts (UK) 11.00 - 11.30 Coffee (Elementary Lab) 11.30 - 12.50 **Student talks: Session 4** Biodiversity in disturbed landscapes Chair: Katie Bolt (RSPB, UK) Medium-sized mammals in cacao agroforests Aluane Silva Ferreira (Brazil) The effects of disturbance on Tanzanian forest mammals Emanuel Henry Martin (Tanzania) Roads and habitat use by the Endangered Baird's tapir Esteban Brenes-Mora (Costa Rica) Predicting bat collisions at wind farms Aleksandra Zarzycka (Poland) 12.50 - 14.40 **Lunch and networking** (Elementary Lab) 14.40 - 15.00 Conference photograph 15.00 - 16.00 **Student talks: Session 5 Conserving top predators** Chair: Nisha Owen (Zoological Society of London, UK) Understanding tiger population dynamics Shikha Bisht (India) Predicting clouded leopard distribution in Peninsular Malaysia Daniel Gomes da Rocha (Brazil) A new home for Asiatic lions? Stotra Chakrabarti (India) 16.00 - 16.30 Tea (Elementary Lab) 16.30 - 17.30 **Student talks: Session 6** Conservation and agriculture Chair: Rowan Eisner (University of Cambridge, UK) Crop pollination and semi-natural habitats Thiis Fijen (Netherlands) Socio-economic costs of producing food Anca Serban-Damerell (Romania) 17.30 - 18.40 **Student posters: Session 2, with wine and food** (Elementary Lab) 18.40 - 20.10 **Workshops: Session 2**

20.30 - 23.00 **Party** (St Catharine's New College Bar)

Thursday 30 March 2017

08.30 - 09.00 Registration (Elementary Lab)

09.00 - 10.40 Student talks: Session 7 Advances in threat assessment

Chair: Anastasiya Timoshyna (TRAFFIC, UK)

Hierarchical threat assessment of a Mauritius endemic Prishnee Bissessur (Mauritius)
Spatial patterns of poaching in the Serengeti Alfan A. Rija (Tanzania)
Using online data to track Thailand's illegal rosewood trade Penthai Siriwat (Thailand)
South China's changing turtle trade Weiling Wu (China)
The persistence of illegal sturgeon fishing Linas Svolkinas (Lithuania)

10.40 - 11.10 Coffee (Elementary Lab)

11.10 - 12.10 Plenary talk Heather Koldewey (Zoological Society of London, UK) From fish to fashion - a quest for solutions to save the ocean

Chair: Neville Ash (UNEP-WCMC, UK)

12.10 – 13.10 Student talks: Session 8 Towards some aquatic solutions

Chair: Kevin Wallace (Tropical Biology Association, UK)

Deep reef refuges in Cozumel, Mexico Erika Gress (Mexico)
Do freshwater protected areas conserve Lake Tanganyika's cichlids? Adam Britton (UK)
Managing Ranunculus for salmonid conservation Jessica Marsh (UK)

13.10 - 14.20 **Lunch and networking** (Elementary Lab)

14.20 - 15.20 Student talks: Session 9 Rediscovery and recovery

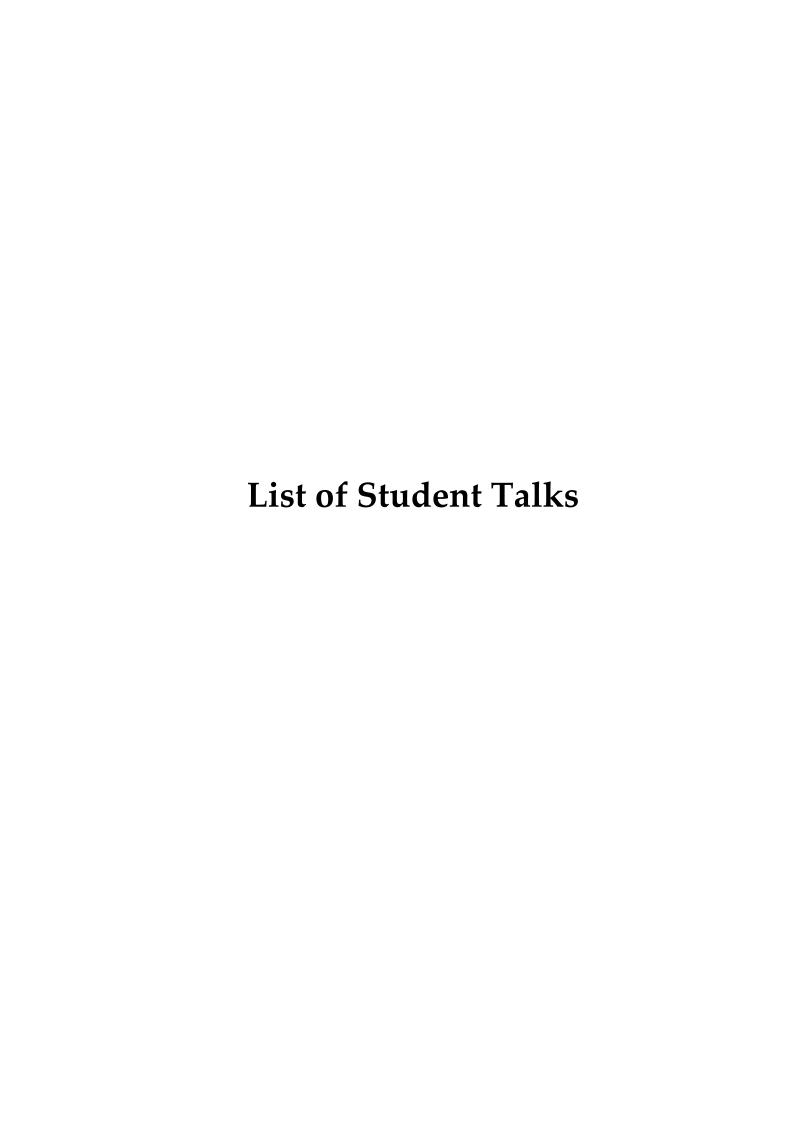
Chair: Roger Safford (BirdLife international, UK)

Rediscovery of the Travancore bush frog
Microclimates in logged tropical forest
Neotropical bats in a recovering forest landscape
Rajkumar Kundhippadath (India)
Rebecca Senior (UK)
Ricardo Rocha (Portugal)

15.20 – 15.50 Tea (Elementary Lab)

15.50 - 16.10 **Prizes**

16.10 - 16.20 Closing remarks



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Does recovery of ecosystems equal recovery of ecosystem services?

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