

# Engineering, Social Justice, and Peace (ESJP)

## ninth annual conference, 14-16 August 2013

Pat's Barn

Rensselaer Technology Park

Troy, New York, USA

Hosted by:

Dean Nieuwma

School of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Conference Theme: Engineering and Development

Program Overview

### **WEDNESDAY, 14 AUGUST**

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- 9:00a Opening Talk: What Does It Mean to Be Human?
- 9:30 Panel Discussion: What is ESJP?
- 11:00 Workshop: Social Justice and Higher Education
- 12:00 Lunch on site
- 1:00p Session: Student-Led Initiatives
- 3:00 Session: Community Participation
- 4:15 Shuttle to West Hall, RPI main campus
- 5:00 Shadow Theater Performance: My Revolutionary Dream Toilet! (*West Hall Auditorium*)
- 7:00 Dinner on site (*West Hall 1<sup>st</sup> Floor*)

### **THURSDAY, 15 AUGUST**

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- 9:00a Session: ESJP Cases (waste management, building materials, infrastructure)
- 11:00 Session: ESJP in Education: Issues
- 12:00 Lunch on site
- 1:00p Workshop: Design with People
- 2:30 Session: ESJP in Education: Approaches
- 4:30 Workshop: Fishing Together
- 6:00 Open Discussion and Reflections
- 7:00 Dinner on Your Own

### **FRIDAY, 16 AUGUST**

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- 9:00a Workshop: Training for Engineering for Development
- 9:30 Workshop: The Critical Development Forum
- 11:00 Session: Culture Change for ESJP
- 12:00 Lunch on site with presentation: Community Participation in Colombia and Chile
- 1:00p ESJP Resources
- 3:00 Wrap-Up Discussion and Reflections
- 4:00 Adjourn

**WEDNESDAY, 14 AUGUST**

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- 8:30am Coffee and snacks
- 9:00-9:30 Opening Talk: **What Does It Mean to Be Human?**  
*George CATALANO* (State University of New York at Binghamton)
- 9:30-10:30 Panel Discussion: **What is ESJP?**  
Moderator: *Dean NIEUSMA*, 2013 conference host. Panelists:  
*Caroline BAILLIE*, 2004 Kingston, Ontario, Canada & 2010 London, England  
*George CATALANO*, 2006 & 2007 Binghamton, New York  
*Donna RILEY*, 2008 Northampton, Massachusetts  
*Chris BYRNE*, 2009 Whidbey Island, Washington  
*Andrés VALDERAMMA & Juan LUCENA*, 2011 Bogotá, Colombia
- 10:30-11:00 Break
- 11:00-12:00 Workshop: **Social Justice & Higher Ed: Good partnership or mutually exclusive?**  
*Caroline BAILLIE* (University of Western Australia)  
*George CATALANO* (State University of New York at Binghamton)
- 12:00 noon Lunch on site
- 1:00pm-2:30 Session: **Student-Led Initiatives**  
“Risks and Rewards of Student-led Engineering for Development”  
*Erin LENNOX* (RPI & ESW Projects Director)  
*Brittany BENNETT* (Smith & ESW Chapter Relations Director)  
*Alex ALLEN* (RPI & ESW-RPI Project Leader)  
“A Non-Linear Systems Approach to Sustainable Rural Water Services in Developing Countries”  
*Jeff WALTERS* and *Bernard AMADEI* (University of Colorado Boulder)
- 2:30-3:00 Break
- 3:00-4:00 Session: **Community Participation**  
“Engenharia dos Oprimidos: A model of participatory engineering project for sustainable community development”  
*Andrea MAZZURCO* (Purdue University)  
“Preparing Engineers for the Challenges of Community Engagement: A short training course approach”  
*Matthew HARSH* (Concordia University), *Susan COZZENS* (Georgia Institute of Technology), *Jameson WETMORE* (Arizona State University), *Rafeal CASTILLO* (Georgia Institute of Technology), *Rodrigo CORTES-LOBOS* (Universidad de Talca), *Diran SOUMONNI* (University of Witwatersrand), *Thomas WOODSON* (Georgia Institute of Technology)
- 4:15 Shuttle departs Pat’s Barn for West Hall Auditorium, RPI main campus
- 5:00-6:00 Shadow Theater Performance: **My Revolutionary Dream Toilet!** (West Hall Aud.)  
*J. Scott JUSTO* (Worcester Polytechnic Institute)  
*Robert HERSH* (Worcester Polytechnic Institute)  
*Andrea CASPARI* (Firefly Shadow Theater, Princeton, Mass.)
- 6:00-9:00 Reception and dinner (West Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

## THURSDAY, 15 AUGUST

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- 8:30am Coffee and snacks
- 9:00-10:30 Session: **ESJP Cases**  
“Assumptions, Diverse Realities, and Promises: Understanding power relations in Waste Management in Sri Lanka”  
*Randika JAYASINGHE* (University of Western Australia)  
*Caroline BAILLIE* (University of Western Australia)  
“A Fine Balance between Engineer and Local Community: The case for local building materials and practices”  
*Sarah SEITZ* and *Darko MATOVIC* (Queen’s University)  
“The Power and Framing of Professional Knowledge in Development: The case of engineering in Greenland under self-rule”  
*Ulrik JØRGENSEN* (Aalborg University Copenhagen)  
*Birgitte HOFFMANN* (Aalborg University Copenhagen)
- 10:30-11:00 Break
- 11:00-12:00 Session: **EJSP in Education: Issues**  
“Increasing STS Content in Engineering, and Social Justice for Non-Traditional Students”  
*Lisa McLoughlin* (Greenfield Community College, Greenfield, Mass.)  
“Subverting the Engineering Sacred Cow: How to redefine what engineers are supposed to be and know in the engineering sciences”  
*Juan LUCENA* (Colorado School of Mines)
- 12:00 noon Lunch on site
- 1:00pm-2:00 Workshop: **Design with People**  
*Andrés VALDERAMMA*, *Søsser BRODERSEN*, *Ulrik JØRGENSEN*, *Signe PEDERSEN*  
(Aalborg University Copenhagen)
- 2:00-2:30 Break
- 2:30-4:00 Session: **ESJP in Education: Approaches**  
“A New Vision for Mining Education: First Steps”  
*Anne JOHNSON* (Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario)  
“Generative Justice versus Distributive Justice: A crucial distinction for guiding engineering towards a more peaceful and democratic world”  
*Ron EGLASH* (RPI)  
“Guidelines for Integrating Social Justice in Engineering Education to Circumvent Common Barriers to Entry”  
*Jon LEYDENS* (Colorado School of Mines)
- 4:00-4:30 Break
- 4:30-6:00 Workshop: **Fishing Together: What does it take?**  
*Roger BURTON* (Sino-US Strategic Alliance for Sustainability)  
*Lizabeth SCHLEMER*, *Trevor HARDING*, *Linda VANASUPA*  
(California Polytechnic State University)
- 6:00-7:00 Open Discussion and Reflections
- 7:00 Dinner on Your Own

**FRIDAY, 16 AUGUST**

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- 8:30am Coffee and snacks
- 9:00-9:30 Workshop: **Dialogues on Development: Engaging engineers with community development**  
*Julian O'SHEA* (University of Western Australia)
- 9:30-11:00 Workshop: **Creating Communities of Praxis and Solidarity from Communities of Good Intentions and Charity: Learning from the successes and failures of the Critical Development Forum**  
*Dean CHAHIM* (Critical Development Forum & GeoEngineers, Inc.)
- 11:00-12:00 Session: Culture Change  
**"Contexts of Conflict"**  
*Robert MUSCAT* (Global Peace Services)  
**"Developing a Community of Peace on a College Campus"**  
*George CATALANO* (State University of New York at Binghamton)
- 12:00 noon Lunch on site
- 12:30pm Lunchtime presentation:  
**"Community Participation in Engineering Projects: Colombian and Chilean cases"**  
*María C. RAMÍREZ, Astrid BEJARANO, Diana M. DUARTE, Juan P. SANABRIA*
- 1:00pm-2:30 Session: **ESJP Resources**  
ESJP Educational Models  
*Xiaofeng TANG* (RPI)  
ESJP Research Funding  
*Linda LAYNE* (RPI & US National Science Foundation)  
ESJP Careers  
*Donna RILEY* (Smith & US National Science Foundation)
- 2:30-3:00 Break
- 3:00-4:00 Wrap-Up Discussion and Reflections
- 4:00pm Adjourn

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