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SIRTRE 2015 Conference announcement

Small Islands Research in Tropical Regions – The Spermonde Archipelago and other Case Studies

The 1st International Conference on Small Islands Research in Tropical Regions – The Spermonde Archipelago and other Case Studies (SIRTRE 2015) will take place in Makassar, Indonesia at the Universitas Hasanuddin (UNHAS) from 15 to 16 September 2015.

Contributions are welcome on any aspect of small tropical island research, including social science, biogeochemistry, anthropology, ecology, conservation management and related fields such as environmental history. The focus will be laid on the Spermonde Archipelago but contributions from other tropical island systems are strongly encouraged.

To plan the SIRTRE 2015 conference and ensure the involvement and participation of local and international stakeholders a bilateral organization committee has been established. The conference is conducted in the context of the project *Understanding and Managing the Resilience of Coral Reefs and Associated Social Systems* (MaCoRAS) in SPICE III .

<http://spice.zmt-bremen.com/bbcms/site5.php?id=114&pid=353&lng=1>

We hereby cordially invite you to submit contributions to the related fields mentioned above. Oral or poster presentations will be accepted. Slots for presentations will be allocated according to the scientific merit of the abstracts submitted. The **deadline for receipt of proposals will be 30 June 2015**. A draft **programme will be published in July 2015**, together with **the information on acceptance of the relative contributions**.

The conference will include a full range of academic sessions, keynote lectures, social events and field trips in Makassar and possibly to islands of the Archipelago.

The participation of early career scholars and postgraduate research researchers from South-East Asia is positively encouraged.

For more information you are cordially invited to visit the conference web site sirtre2015.zmt-bremen.com or write an e-mail to sirtre2015@zmt-bremen.de.

Best regards,

The Organization Committee

