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GENERAL RESOURCES PASTORALISM

Ethnovetweb

<http://www.ethnovetweb.com>

An internet gateway about ethnoveterinary medicine with resources and links to sources of information on: (ethno)veterinary medicine and livestock, indigenous knowledge, and ethnobotany and (medicinal) plants.

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Eldis Pastoralism Resource Centre

<http://www.eldis.org/pastoralism>

This (sub-)site features important articles about, (and originating from), policy-makers, grassroot organizations and NGOs, academics and researchers interested in pastoralism. Information is provided on relevant news items, i.e. conferences, new project initiatives. It highlights specially commissioned resources, e.g.:

- a reasoned list of recent and on-going projects with regard to pastoralists and pastoralism;
- reference lists of electronic and paper-based literature;
- a comprehensive databases of researchers, organisations, NGOs, and academics working in the field of pastoralism.

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INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

Commission on Nomadic Peoples

<http://users.ox.ac.uk/~cnpc>

The Commission on Nomadic Peoples is part of the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES). This commission is one of a number of academic working groups of the Union which collaborates with a broad, international range of researchers on nomadic peoples. The Commission has

always aspired to be inclusive - drawing in as many interested parties as possible - researchers, practitioners, government and non-government officials, and crossing language and cultural divides.

Its activities are focused on organizing conferences for the IUAES as well as facilitating other meetings and workshops. It publishes the Journal of Nomadic Peoples and maintains an email distribution list for important announcements. Above all it exists to encourage international exchanges and linkages among researchers and practitioners who are interested in nomadic and pastoral populations throughout the world.

Dana Declaration on Mobile Peoples and Conservation

<http://www.danadeclaration.org>

The Dana Declaration is the outcome of an international meeting of social and natural scientists and NGOs that took place in Wadi Dana Nature Reserve in Jordan in April 2002. The Declaration is an attempt to forge a new partnership between conservationists and mobile peoples in order to ensure that future conservation policies and programmes help maintain the earth's ecosystems, species and genetic diversity while respecting the rights of indigenous and traditional communities which have been disregarded in the past.

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Global Pastoral Programme (GPP)

<http://www.undp.org/drylands/gov-pastoralism.htm>

The GPP is an advocacy and capacity building programme that is designed to work in a consultative manner and through partnerships across the world where pastoralism is a key issue, to build a momentum for greater recognition of the need for sustainable pastoral development. The focus of the GPP will be on mobile pastoralism in areas of the world that coincide with drylands, but not necessarily everywhere.

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IIED - International Institute of Environment and Development

<http://www.iied.org>

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IISNC - International Institute for the Study of Nomadic Civilizations

<http://www.nomadic.mn>

The International Institute for the Study of Nomadic Civilizations (IISNC) is a not-for-profit membership corporation. At the initiative of UNESCO chartered in Ulaanbaatar in 1999 for the purpose of promoting the advancement and diffusion of the knowledge of nomadic civilizations and its application to human welfare.

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Overseas Development Institute - Pastoral Development Network

<http://www.odi.org.uk/pdn/index.html>

The website has been set up to revitalise the Pastoral Development Network, allowing work to be disseminated more widely than has been possible in the past. The PDN represents a world-wide network of researchers, administrators and extension personnel interested in the issues of pastoralism and rangelands. Between 1976 and 1996 the PDN was managed by ODI and published regular mailings including newsletters and a wide ranging series of papers on pastoralism and related issues. There were also a number of other related publications.

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World Alliance of Mobile Indigenous Peoples (WAMIP)

The World Alliance of Mobile Indigenous Peoples (WAMIP) is a global alliance of nomadic peoples and communities practicing various forms of mobility as a livelihood strategy while conserving biological diversity and using natural resources in a sustainable way.

The mission of WAMIP is to assist and empower mobile indigenous peoples throughout the world to maintain their mobile lifestyles in pursuit of livelihoods and cultural identity, to sustainably manage their common property resources and to obtain the full respect of their rights. WAMIP sees an ideal future in which: mobility is recognised and appreciated as a strategy for both sustainable livelihoods and conservation of biological diversity; mobile indigenous peoples (MIPs) are in full solidarity among themselves and with other indigenous peoples; and the rights of mobile indigenous peoples to natural resources are fully respected.

WAMIP is affiliated with CEESP and is currently hosted in CENESTA, the Centre for Sustainable Development (Iran)(see below). For further information, contact the WAMIP Secretariat focal point Aghaghia Rahimzadeh aghaghia@cenesta.org

World Herders Council/Conseil Mondial des Eleveurs

<http://www.condial.org>

The World Herders Council was founded in 1996 and is an initiative of traditional herders of the Sahel. It is an international network of herders who are determined to stay and who have a concept of cattle breeding which includes a respectful attitude towards nature, towards animals and towards people.

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REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS

CENESTA - Centre for Sustainable Development & Environment

The Centre for Sustainable Development is a non-governmental, non-profit organisation dedicated to promoting sustainable community- and culture-based development. Its main area of work is Iran and Southwest Asia.

Set up in Tehran originally in 1979 and re-organised after the war in 1991, CENESTA is amongst others active in the following areas: policy and practice on arid lands, nomadic pastoralism, climatic and vernacular architecture.

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DROKPA

<http://www.drokpa.org/index.html>

DROKPA, which means "nomad" in Tibetan, is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting pastoral ways of life across the Himalaya, Tibetan Plateau, and Central Asia. Using simple tools and replicable strategies. DROKPA 's collaborative work addresses some of the most pressing problems faced by pastoral communities: inadequate fuel sources and fodder supplies and lack of health care and education.

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Farm Africa

<http://www.farmafrica.org.uk>

NGO which has been working with poor rural African farmers and herders since 1985. They aim to make a lasting difference to their lives by providing practical help, enabling them to produce more food for their families.

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JINPA

<http://www.jinpa.org>

Jinpa is a small charity working in the remote area, West Nangchen, Qinghai Province of what was once Eastern Tibet. Jinpa works closely with the nomadic peoples who live in this area helping to provide them with support in the areas of Education, support for the elderly, health care, emergency relief, bridge-building, water access, and tree-planting.

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Kenya Pastoralist Forum (KPF)

<http://www.hri.ca/partners/khrc>

The Kenya Pastoralist Forum (KPF), is a programme within the Kenya Human Rights Commission. The KHRC has provided legal hosting to human rights groups that have been denied registration by the Kenya government a.o. the Kenya Pastoralist Forum (KPF).

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League for Pastoral People

<http://www.pastoralpeoples.org>

The League for Pastoral Peoples was established in 1992 and is an advocacy and support group for pastoralists who depend on common property resources. The LPP is engaged in researching and working with pastoral communities, primarily in India.

The objectives of the League are to: raise awareness among the general public about the global plight of pastoralists; improve the image of pastoralists among governments and development organizations by emphasizing their role in sustainable food production in arid areas, in preserving indigenous livestock breeds, and as stewards of an intricate indigenous knowledge system on survival in the arid zone; provide information on the situation of pastoralists; facilitate interaction between pastoralists on one hand and government, NGOs on the other hand; organize and implement pastoral development projects; and act as a pressure group for the rights of pastoralists on an international level.

The LPP provides consulting services in the fields of: project planning and preparation (including proposal preparation and fund-raising); project management; research, data collection and documentation; policy development; information and networking (LPP acts as a resource center for information about pastoralists and provide background information on livestock development); and organizing workshops and conferences.

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Local Livestock for Empowerment of Rural People (LIFE)

<http://www.lifeinitiative.net>

Key goals of 'LIFE', which is supported financially by Misereor, are to raise awareness among pastoralist organizations about the implications of the CBD and to assist with capacity building in the conservation and development of indigenous breeds.

Other envisioned activities include:

- study and documentation of indigenous knowledge relating to livestock breeding and breeds;
- case studies of livestock breeds that are threatened, and the social, economic and political factors involved;
- information exchange between NGOs, pastoralist and farmers associations, scientific institutions, policy makers through workshops (see the announcement of a workshop in Udaipur and Sadri) and an electronic mailing list;
- lobbying for more participatory approaches by formal sector organizations

The activities of 'LIFE' have already resulted in a loose network of professionals and organizations throughout the world and it is hoped that a more formal network will be established in the near future. A small number of discussion and strategy papers are already available.

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NOMAD

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A small French NGO specialising in medical traditions of especially nomadic peoples in Nepal, Cambodia, Tibet and India (Ladakh and Karnataka).

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Pastoralist Development Initiative

<http://www.wangonet.org/pdi>

Pastoralist Development Initiative's major aim is the empowerment of nomadic and semi-settled pastoralists. Its activities includes training, fieldwork, animation, and practical demonstrations.

PDI's objectives are to: empower pastoralists to be fully informed, self-reliant and in control of their welfare and productive activities; assist pastoralists to achieve sustainable development through individual and group initiative without abandoning their core values.

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Pastoral and Environmental Network in the Horn of Africa (PENHA)

<http://www.penhanetwork.org/page1.shtml>

PENHA was formed by a group of researchers, academics, and workers from the region. PENHA aim is to promote the efforts of the people of the Horn to generate development processes leading to self-reliance and peaceful co-existence. Central to PENHA's vision is seeking African solutions to African problems/crisis through African competence and resources.

Currently PENHA is based in the UK as a registered charity. PENHA operates in: Ethiopia - Eritrea - Djibouti - Kenya - Sudan - Somaliland and Uganda.

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RECONCILE Resource Conflict Institute

<http://www.reconcile-ea.org>

RECONCILE was founded in 2001. Since then RECONCILE has been actively involved in a number of initiatives relating to policy research, advocacy and networking on land and natural resources in East Africa. Over the past years, the institute has handled at least 12 projects and developed a presence in the areas of:

- Pastoral Livelihoods and Land Use in East Africa
- Public Interest Environmental Education and Litigation in Kenya
- Land Tenure Networking in East Africa

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JOURNALS

Journal of the Commission of Nomadic Peoples

<http://www.berghahnbooksonline.com/journals/np>

The Journal's aim is to deal with all types of nomadic peoples, such as pastoral nomads, foragers, peripatetics (gypsies), and so-called sea nomads. Its aim is to provide the scientific community and the general public with information on the traditional as well as the actual lifestyles, on strategies of herd management, hunting, fishing, food gathering, servicing and trading. It discusses the hazards nomadic peoples face in a rapidly changing world. The contributions cover all aspects of the culture of itinerant peoples.

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Livestock Research for Rural Development / Irrd.journal

<http://www.cipav.org.co/lrrd/lrrdhome.html>

International journal of publications by young research workers in developing countries. Most articles are on technical aspects of animal production (especially feeding) in developing countries. Distributed on PC disc, as GreenNet/APC conference, and archived on OFI WWW

Connection details: GreenNet/APC: Irrd.journal

PUBLICATIONS

FAO - Pastoralism in the new millenium

http://www.fao.org/DOCREP/005/Y2647E/y2647e00.htm#toc_or

You can't go home again - Pastoralism in the new millennium

<http://www.odi.org.uk/pdn/eps.pdf>

UC Davis

<http://www.agronomy.ucdavis.edu/calrng/Range%20and%20Pasture%20Publications.htm>

A very comprehensive site describing Himalayan pastoralism, with particular attention to rangelands and biodiversity conservation.

The Journal of the Commission on Nomadic Peoples

<http://www.berghahnbooks.com/journals/np/index.html>

The publisher Berghahn's webpage for the journal with online contents listings and journal abstracts.

IUCN - World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA)

http://iucn.org/themes/wcpa/pubs/pdfs/Indig_people.pdf

Principles, Guidelines and Case Studies on Indigenous and Traditional Peoples and Protected Areas.

PROJECTS

Friends of Nomads International (FONI)

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The Friends of Nomads International (FONI) is an NGO registered in 1998 with the objective of promoting and creating awareness on the Kenyan Constitution, land tenure issues, and civic education regarding the Boran pastoralists and other ethnic groups in the Isiolo district. FONI is trying to revive traditional systems of natural resource management among the different ethnic groups in the district. Its entry point is through the facilitation of activities aimed at mitigating resource conflicts. FONI is a member of the Community Policing Forum and the PRC. Its activities give special focus to women and children.

Afar Pastoralist Development Association (APDA)

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The mission of APDA to model the means of appropriate development for Afar pastoralists. Concrete objectives are: lower infant and maternal mortality; improve the social situation of Afar women; develop the Afar Language as medium of training & education; develop literacy with the Afar Society; develop the means of appropriate drought mitigation.

Themes: Appropriate technology, disaster preparedness and relief, education, gender, health, HIV/AIDS, water.

Selam Environmental Development Association (SEDA)

The Selam Environmental Development Association (SEDA) was established in 1992 as a non-profit, non-political and non-governmental organization devoted to ensuring sustainable environment and human development in Ethiopia through a participatory and integrated development approach.

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