

UNA London & SE Region
and UNA Canterbury Branch



SPRING CONFERENCE

to celebrate Earth Day¹

Saturday, 16 April 2011

London & SE Region

St. Peter's Methodist Church & Hall, St. Peter's St, Canterbury, CT1 2BE

Sustainable Development and the Natural World

PROGRAMME

12.45pm Registration and Signing up for Workshops

1.15pm Chairman's Welcome and Introduction

Roger Hallam: Chair UNA - London & SE Region

1.30pm Economic Growth, Sustainable Development and the Earth's Eco-cycles & Systems

Michael Redclift: Professor of International Environmental Policy
King's College, London

2.05pm The Environment, Climate Change and the Population

Mike Freedman: The Optimum Population Trust

2.40pm Environmental Law, Human Rights and the Rights of Mother Earth

Ian Mason, Barrister: Teucro Chambers and founder member of Wild Law UK

3.15pm Tea and networking (complete and/or revise signing up for workshops)

4.00 pm **Work-Shop Session to address four questions:**

A) How can we deal with the conflict of interests and needs between the earth's eco-cycles & systems, economic growth and sustainable development?

Led by Roger Hallam

B) How can we cope with ever increasing global population in the face of ever increasing environmental damage and pollution of soil, air and water?

Led by Natalie Samarasinghe-Policy & Advocacy UNA-UK

C) How can we link and reconcile the Rights of Mother Earth with Human Rights?

Led by Tanja Woerdhoff
postgraduate student Environment Law, University of Kent

D) Ecocide a Crime against Peace? In follow-up to last July's seminar on this topic, this workshop will address the question of whether or not criminalising ecocide will help in resolving the issues of environmental damage and climate change, and thus improve our chances in securing global peace and sustainable development.

Led by Sheila Kesby-Secretary UNA- Canterbury Branch

4.45pm Plenary Workshop Report Back: **Geoff Meaden:** Chair of UNA-Canterbury Branch

5.15pm Summary of outcome of the Seminar and Workshop - **Roger Hallam**

5.30pm Close of Conference

¹ Earth Day, 22 April, falls on Good Friday this year, so the nearest Saturday has been selected