

ASIA-LINK PROJECT "PEATWISE"



- The University of Leicester is a teaching and research institution rated amongst top 20 in UK
- It has about 17,000 students, of which 10,000 are postgraduates, including a large number enrolled on distance-learning courses (e.g. MBA)





• Participating in PEATWISE :

- Department of Geography
- Institute of Lifelong Learning
- Department of Biology
- Teaching and Learning Unit, Computer Centre





Department of Geography

- Undergraduate and postgraduate teaching programmes
- MSc Sustainable Resource Management
- MSc Geographical Information Systems
- Research interests in humid tropics, dryland environments, sustainable development, GIS and earth observation





Institute of Lifelong Learning

- Adult education courses accredited and non-accredited
- Part-time undergraduate and postgraduate programmes
- Continuing professional development (e.g. short courses)
- Developing distance learning courses (Global Ecology commences summer 2003)





- Objectives/expectations from PEATWISE project:
 - Convert current modules to DL and electronic formats
 - Develop new modules incorporating relevant research data
 - Increase attractiveness of Geography Dept. & LILL teaching programmes to overseas students
 - Exchange ideas/information on curriculum, teaching styles, materials etc.
 - Exchange research/teaching staff
 - Develop/promote allied research programmes





UNILEI staff involved in PEATWISE project

• Department of Geography:

- Susan Page, Senior Lecturer (ecology, tropical peatlands, management of biological resources, research in UK & SE Asia)
- Andrew Millington, Prof. (biogeography, nature conservation, sustainable development, research in S. America & Africa)

• Department of Biology:

 David Harper, Senior Lecturer (aquatic ecology, conservation biology, research in UK & Africa)

• Institute of Lifelong Learning:

 Jackie Dunne, Head of Institute (professional continuing development, lifelong learning programmes)

• Computer Centre:

Richard Mobbs, Head of Teaching & Learning (web-based teaching, e-learning technologies, etc.)



Additional staff

- A part-time research assistant will be employed to work on the project.
- Other members of
 UNILEI may also be
 approached to contribute,
 especially those involved
 in teaching on the MSc
 Sustainable Resource
 Management programme.





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I look forward to working with you all