

# July 2016 - The Veolia Institute Letter



The Veolia Institute is a ground-breaking environmental think tank dedicated to foresight reflection. Created in 2001 by Veolia as an international forum, it develops its activities through continuous dialogue with leading scientists, intellectuals and field practitioners, such as NGOs. This biannual letter is intended to keep you abreast of our latest news and ongoing work.

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#### Our latest news

- **Publication** of new S.A.P.I.EN.S articles February
- **Cycle of reflection** about Common Goods - throughout 2016
- **Infographic** summarizing our Methane Initiative during COP21 -March
- Participation in the Water
   Science and Technology Board
   (WSTB) meeting, Washington April
- FACTS Reports: Special issue on the theme of "The environmental and social acceptability of large industrial projects" - May
- Activity Report 2015/2016 June
- -Meeting of the ForesightCommittee on "Robotics" in Tokyo- June
- **Podcast** of Olivier Godard about environmental economics June



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#### **Highlights**



**Publication** of a new issue of Facts Reports on the "Environmental and social acceptability of major industrial projects", coordinated by David Menascé (Azao consulting).

Its goal: to analyze the societal and environmental challenges posed by high-impact industries and show how we can move from a risk-management approach to an approach based on wealth creation shared with the local stakeholders. This issue will draw on various feedback from projects conducted in Ghana, India, Burkina Faso, Vietnam and France.

As a reminder, on 12th July, the Veolia Institute and Azao consulting will host a **conference-debate** on the environmental and social acceptability of major industrial projects, at the Veolia's Paris headquarters.

# "Common Goods" workshops

The Institute decided to address a new avenue of work on common goods through a cycle of workshops in small groups throughout 2016.

The end goal: to clarify understanding of these concepts, come to grips with the underlying challenges and anticipate trends in governance in this field.

### Our journals: Top 3 articles\*

#### S.A.P.I.EN.S

- Sustainable energy for developing countries,
   Ahuja/Tatsutani (2009)
- 2. <u>Protected areas: providing</u> natural solutions to 21st Century

## **FACTS Reports**

- 1. Challenges of Agricultural Adaptation to Climate Change in Nigeria: a Synthesis from the Literature, Enete/Amusa (2010)
- 2. The Role of Community Radio in

challenges, Lopoukhine et al. (2012)

3. Applying Ecosystem Services Approaches for Biodiversity Conservation: Benefits and Challenges, Carter Ingram et al. (2012) Livelihood Improvement: The Case of Simli Radio, Al-hassan et al. (2011)

3. Economics of Waterleaf (*Talinumtriangulare*) Production in Akwa Ibom State, Nigeria, Enete/Okon (2010)

\*In terms of downloaded articles

### **Agenda**

- July 12th, 2016: Conference-debate on the environmental and social acceptability of major industrial projects at Veolia's headquarters, Paris.
- September, 2016: Publication of a FACTS reports special issue about "Decentralized rural and peri-urban electrification in emerging and developing countries", in collaboration with the Foundation for International Development Study and Research (FERDI).
- Novembre, 2016: Participation at COP 22, Marrakech, Morocco.
- December,2016: Meeting of the Foresight Committee Meeting in Paris, France.

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