

## Other Notices

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### The Smithsonian Institution's Monitoring and Assessment of Biodiversity Program (MAB)

The Smithsonian is offering two professional training courses for international scientists, resource managers, graduate students, and educators. Both courses will be held in Front Royal, Virginia, USA at the National Zoo's Conservation and Research Center.

The Biodiversity Assessment and Monitoring course will take place 14 May–3 June 2006. The cost is \$3250 and topics include monitoring techniques for vegetation, mammals, and arthropods, as well as an introduction to project planning, GIS, and statistics.

The Smithsonian Environmental Leadership course will take place 17–29 September 2006. The cost is \$2750 and topics include foundation skills for the environmental leader, determining mission and vision, negotiation and conflict resolution strategies, and impactful environmental communication.

The cost for both courses includes tuition, course materials, lodging and meals, and local transportation. For more information contact Melissa Bellman at [bellmanm@si.edu](mailto:bellmanm@si.edu) or look online at [www.si.edu/simab](http://www.si.edu/simab)