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**World-Wide Human Geography Data Working Group
Sustainable Development for Human Security**

April 18, 2013 - 8:00 to 5:00

Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory, Palisades, NY 10964

The Center for International Earth Science Information Network (CIESIN) is proud to host this meeting of the World-Wide Human Geography Data Working Group. Panel sessions will focus on Political Stability, Sustainable Communities in the Developing World, Urban Growth and other related issues. Speakers include:

- *Cynthia Rosenzweig, NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies, Columbia University*
- *Ayako Kagowa, Geographic Information Officer United Nations Cartographic Section*
- *Deborah Balk, Associate Director of the CUNY Institute for Demographic Research*
- *Marc Levy, Deputy Director CIESIN Columbia University*

***Special Keynote presentation by Dr. Jeffery Sachs, Director of the Earth
Institute at Columbia University***

THE WWHGD WG was formed in 2011 to focus on the need to improve the quality and access to human geography global foundation data to provide a basis for a deeper understanding of cultures, activities, and attitudes across the globe. The working group is composed of representatives from government agencies; programs of the United Nations along with numerous other NGO's; private industry; and academia. The WWHGD WG is designed to build voluntary partnerships around human geography themes, data, and mapping focused on the general principle of making appropriate information available at the appropriate scales to promote human security.

Registration required:

*To register (and for more information about the WWHGD WG), please visit: <https://WWHGD.org>
Conference site fee of \$25 includes lunch and coffee service.
(Fee only payable on site in cash--receipt provided.)*

For directions and transportation, see: <http://www.ciesin.columbia.edu/location.html>

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