

Dear colleague,

Welcome to the July 'Indices of Social Development' newsletter. Your feedback is always welcome.

- First of all, as mentioned in the first and previous newsletter, ISS will organize a
 research conference on 14 and 15 December in The Hague. Please find attached (or
 here) the Call for Papers for this International Conference: Taking Stock: Measuring
 Social Development. Please forward this call to your colleagues and students. In the
 upcoming weeks we will confirm the presence of a renowned keynote speaker and
 update the website with more details and information on logistics etc.
- In May 2011, Vision of Humanity launched the Global Peace Index 2011. In one of their reports: 'New Dimensions of Peace –Society, Economy, and the Media', Vision of Humanity finds a positive relationship between peace and Social Sustainability using the Indices of Social Development. You can download the report here.
- Over the summer, the Indices will be updated with latest data of, among others, The World Development Indicators 2010. Further, we will also add ISO-3 country codes which allows the indices to be combined more easily.
- ISD would like to know your opinion about the Indices. You can send comments or (working) papers to <u>isd@iss.nl</u>

We wish you a great summer,

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