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1. Brief description of Event (50-100 words):

This event brought together international students of conservation science to present research from their PhD projects. Workshops were held by leading researchers in conservation science, particularly focusing on reducing the gap from research to implementation, and the use of novel approaches to conservation science. The focus was on ‘Conservation Optimism’, and how research can make a real world impact.

2. What were the benefits of attending and what did you gain from the experience in terms of transferable skills and knowledge.

The conference showcased the breadth of possible approaches to conservation, from pure ecology to ethnography. Through workshops I gained knowledge in designing conservation research programs, and the pitfalls to avoid, as well as how to increase the social relevance of my work.

3. What actions will you be taking as a result of attending or by making new networking contacts.

Working with the journal Conservation Evidence to showcase how we are using their article synopses to carry out evidence based conservation within the small NGO that hosts my PhD work.

4. Can you share any additional resources produced in connection with the event (e.g. feedback from participants, training resources, website links, and additional materials).

www.sccs-cam.org – Conference website

5. Tips/experience learned from the event

Social aspects of conservation work are central to getting policy makers to pay attention to your research.

6. Any additional comments or information regarding the event