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Community and Green Mapping as a Tool and Movement for Local and Global Sustainability

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Abstract:
Community and Green Mapping is a powerful research, learning and engagement tool used worldwide by communities, academics, students, designers, planners and many kinds of social innovators. This workshop will include Maeve Lydon representing the work of the Canadian-based Common Ground Mapping Network and Wendy Brawer, Founder-Director of the Global Green Map System. Common Ground is part of the University of Victoria-supported Community Mapping Collaboratory (CMC) and Green Map is a globally networked system based in New York that has engaged hundreds of communities in over 60 countries mapping sustainable living, nature, culture and economy with adaptable tools and award-winning icons. Green Map features 775 locally-designed maps (many from Europe!) and includes thousands of mapmakers and education-research projects from around the world. The Canadian CMC is focused on community-driven development for neighborhood and local sustainability planning and supporting indigenous communities. The workshop will present examples and approaches from the CMC and Green Map work and involve participants in skill-building to help them create their own mapping, education or planning projects.