

## Stephen A. Vosti



Stephen A. Vosti is Adjunct Professor in the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at the University of California, Davis. He received his PhD in economics from the University of Pennsylvania, and was a Postdoctoral Fellow with the Rockefeller Foundation in Brazil where he taught economic demography and did field research on the socioeconomic determinants and consequences of malaria. He was a Research Fellow at the International Food Policy Research Institute, where he managed international research projects aimed at identifying and measuring the effects of changes in land use and land cover on poverty, economic growth, and environmental sustainability, and identifying the roles of public policy in managing these trade-offs/synergies. He has worked closely with an array of biophysical scientists to develop bioeconomic models to predict the effects of changes in policies, technologies, and institutional arrangements on the environment, poverty and economic growth. Vosti and his collaborators have examined the links between agricultural policy and obesity in the U.S., and contributed to the literature on the consequences of alternative water management strategies on agriculture and on the rural poor. Vosti's current research focuses on the potential for small-quantity lipid-based nutrient supplements (SQ-LNS) to prevent early childhood undernutrition, and on the policy issues associated with promoting such products. Vosti also leads a team comprised of nutritionists, geographers, and economists in developing tools to enhance the cost-effectiveness of micronutrient intervention policies in developing countries, with special focus on Cameroon. Vosti has substantial field-based research experience in Bangladesh, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, and Pakistan.