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Underwater World Singapore and the African Coelacanth Ecosystem Programme (ACEP) cordially invite you to a lecture on:

# Coelacanth Evolutionary and Ecological Enigmas

Date: **5 April 2007, Thursday**

Time: **2:00 – 3:00 PM**

Venue: **Executive Seminar Room  
Building 'A', 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
The Tourism Academy at Sentosa  
12 Artillery Avenue, Sentosa  
(Please RSVP to Ayu at 6279-9221)**

Speaker: **Dr. Tony Ribbink**, the Director of the African Coelacanth Ecosystem Programme (ACEP), a Founding Trustee of the Sustainable Seas Trust (SST), and Programs Manager at the South African Institute for Aquatic Biodiversity.

With a history unique in science and modern culture, the Coelacanth ("see-la-kanth"), was around millions of years before the Dinosaurs, and it was thought to have gone extinct with them until a freshly caught one was discovered in South Africa in 1938. It took 14 years for the second to be caught, cementing the place of this species in the annals of history and the public's imagination. Later discoveries have continued to excite new generations of "coelacanth-o-philes". Three

people have died in their search for the Coelacanth, possibly many more. For more details see the ACEP website at <http://www.acep.co.za> or visit [www.dinofish.com](http://www.dinofish.com).

