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Welcome!

We invite you to join us at the **International Conference on Environmental Specimen Banks (ICESB 2013) in the Tongji University (Shanghai, China) from October 12-15, 2013.**

Introduction

Emerging contaminants has been a regional and global environmental issue as they are discovered in the environment, even in polar areas. The idea of Environmental Specimen Banking triggered a revolution in the community of Environmental Sciences in the past five decades. Sweden, Canada, Japan, United States, Germany and some other developed countries have set up ESB. Such ESBs not only help to analyze the status of the environment pollution, but also enable retrospective trend analysis. Now China is developing a national Environmental Specimen Bank because we believe the rapid economical development may be achieved at the expense of environmental change.

It is important for us – the scientific communities to unite to cope with regional and global environmental issues, especially emerging contaminants.

Purpose and Objectives

This conference hosted by the Tongji University will provide a focus discussion on the sustainable development, management and international cooperation of Environmental Specimen Bank network coping with regional and global environmental changes.

The objectives of this symposium will include but not be limited to:

- Design of Environmental Specimen Banks Including Information System;
- Collection, Preparation and Conservation of ESB Samples;
- Analysis, Measurement and Standardization of ESB Samples;
- Sustainable Development & Management of ESB;
- Cooperative Scientific Research, based on International ESB Network;
- Coping with Emerging Pollutants in the Regional and Global Environment.

Conference Format

There will be morning and afternoon sessions, and evenings reserved for social events. Morning plenary sessions will consist of invited overview talks (45 min) followed by several short presentations (20 min). Attendees are encouraged to submit poster abstracts for the lunchtime / coffee-break poster sessions. Afternoon sessions will allow subgroup of participants to identify issues not addressed elsewhere in presentations and provide a central focus for discussion.

The future of international cooperative scientific research on environmental specimen banking will be discussed on a special session- *International Group of Environmental Specimen Banks* (IGESB).

Abstract Submission & Registration

Submission of the [registration form](#) together with **Title** and **Abstract** of the presentation will be involved in the Registration process. Important dates are listed as follows:

Early registration by Aug 31, 2013 FREE
Late registration After Sep 1, 2013 See below

Registration fees for the symposium are structured as follows:

Early registration fee: **FREE** for all participants who register by [Aug 31, 2013](#);

Late registration fee: **\$100** for regular participants or **\$50** for students / LIC / LUMIC participants who register **after Sep 1, 2013**. Students (BSc, MSc & PhD students; confirmation of student status required); Participants from “Low Income Countries” (LIC) and “Lower and Upper Middle Income Countries” (LUMIC) as defined by the [World Bank](#).

International Travel Support

Application Deadline: [May 31, 2013](#)

International travel support for the symposium will depend on the fund-raising effort. Updated information on the application of financial assistance will be provided once available. **Plenary and Keynote Speakers** will be given priority for financial assistance.

Other Information

Submission Guidelines and Conference program;

Accommodation in Shanghai and Jiaying;

Technical visiting to Yangtze ESB in Jiaying;

Tourism information: One-day Metropolis or Ancient Folk Town Sightseeing .

Sponsoring Opportunities.

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