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First Round Call for Abstracts

International Conference for Urban Forestry in Challenging Environments

August 29-September 1, 2010

Beijing, China

To maintain sustainable urban forests in cities is the ultimate goal of urban forest management. However, this task can be very challenging for cities facing unfavorable natural or anthropogenic influences. In contrast to extensive studies and discussions on managing urban forests in cities under normal conditions, less information is available for urban foresters in those challenging environments.

In Fall 2010 (August 29-September 1), a conference organized by the IUFRO's Research Group on Urban Forestry (6.14.00) and Beijing Forestry University will bring together scientists, policy makers, practitioners, and concerned citizens to share important findings, innovative science and technologies, and daily experience in dealing with various challenges now and in the future. Also, the benefits of urban forests to people living in challenging environments will be discussed. It is our hope that information generated from this conference will help establish urban forests in more cities.

Our confirmed invited speakers are:

Dr. Cecil Konijnendijk	Professor, University of Copenhagen, Denmark
Dr. Joe McBride	Professor, University of California at Berkeley, USA
Dr. William Burch	Professor, Yale University, USA
Dr. David Nowak	Project leader, USDA Forest Service, USA
Dr. Karman Abdollahi	Professor, Southern University, USA
Dr. Arne Sæbø	Research leader, Norwegian Institute for Agricultural and Environmental Research, Norway

We invite abstracts based on primary research, or personal or institutional experience that covering, but are not limited to the following topics:

- Urban forest management in compact and high-density cities
- Urban forest management in cities in recession
- Urban forest management in conflict zones
- Urban forest management in natural disaster areas
- Plant and maintain urban forests under unfavorable natural conditions
- Adapt urban forests to negative impacts of climate changes
- Benefits of urban forests to people in challenging environments
- Innovative techniques and guidelines that can help establish urban forests in challenging environments

Abstracts should be a maximum of 400 words with the following information:

Name(s) of the author(s)

Title and abstract of the paper to be presented

Institution(s) or organization(s) of author(s)' affiliation(s)

Address, telephone, fax and e-mail of the corresponding author

Type of presentations: oral or poster

Please send your abstracts by April 20, 2010, electronically or by mail to:

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Selected participants will give oral or poster presentations at the conference. Participants will have the option of submitting a full-length paper. Selected papers will be considered for publication in a special issue of the scientific journal 'Urban Forestry & Urban Greening'. We will publish other papers in a proceedings volume.

We hope you will join us in Beijing next fall. Please forward this message to others you may know who might have an interest in attending. We encourage contributions and participation by undergraduate and graduate students.

For more information, please visit http://app.bjfu.edu.cn/linxy/icufce_2010/home.html

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