

# The 11<sup>th</sup> International Conference of The Pacific Basin Consortium: THREATS TO HUMAN HEALTH & SUSTAINABILITY IN THE PACIFIC BASIN: ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTANTS & CLIMATE CHANGE



# DATES & VENUE 4-6 September 2005

Imin Conference Center at the East-West Center in HONOLULU, HAWAII

#### **OVERVIEW**

The conference is the eleventh in a series of international meetings organized by the Pacific Basin Consortium for Environment and Health Sciences. The conference will bring together scientists, government officials, policy makers, industry representatives and students from around the Pacific Basin to discuss threats to regional environmental and human health and share strategies and approaches for addressing them effectively and affordably.

#### **CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES**

The primary conference objectives are to:

- Present research related to characterization of environmental pollutants, human exposure to pollutants, the health effects of exposure, and the latest advances in hazardous waste remediation;
- Increase interdisciplinary cooperation in addressing regional health/environment issues; and
- Discuss strategies for reducing risks to human and environmental health in the Pacific Basin.

#### **PROGRAM**

The program will consist of plenary sessions, concurrent sessions on specific topics and a poster session. Topics of sessions are expected to include:

- Hazardous contaminants in the Pacific Basin
- Air Pollution and human/environmental health
- Climate variability and periodic catastrophic events
- Persistent organic pollutants in the Pacific Basin
- Children's environmental health
- Arsenic and fluoride and human health
- Pesticides and human health
- Mercury: sources and health effects
- Monitoring of human tissues for contaminants
- Pollutants, breast cancer and breast feeding

Speakers will include both invited international experts and individuals selected on the basis of abstracts.

#### CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Abstracts are welcomed on any topic relevant to environmental health and hazardous waste in the Pacific Basin region, including but not limited to the topics listed under 'Program.' Abstracts should not exceed one single-spaced page or 350 words, and should be submitted as a Word document in English using 11-point Times font by email to pbc@eastwestcenter.org. The abstract title should be in capital letters, followed by full names and affiliations of author(s). Please include the following information with abstract: Position title, email, fax, telephone and complete postal contact information, topic for which you are submitting an abstract, and 3-5 keywords relevant to the submission. Most submitted abstracts that are accepted will be presented as posters, but some will be invited for platform presentation. Participants are encouraged to submit abstracts by June 8, 2005, especially if requesting financial assistance or if a visa is needed to enter the U.S. The final deadline for abstract submission is July 15, 2005. Notification of paper acceptance will occur by July 27. If unable to submit abstract electronically, please fax a typed version to (518) 525-2665. The deadline for submitting the final paper is September 6, 2005.

# REGISTRATION

Registration fees and the cancellation policy are listed on the accompanying page and at <a href="www.pbc.eastwestcenter.org">www.pbc.eastwestcenter.org</a>. The registration fee covers attendance at all plenary and technical sessions, two lunches, daily coffee service, a reception, and individual PBC membership for 2005 (for current non-members). Participants can register for the conference on-line at <a href="www.pbc.eastwestcenter.org">www.pbc.eastwestcenter.org</a>, or by faxing or mailing the accompanying registration form to the PBC Secretariat (contact info listed below).

#### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial support may be available to authors from developing countries in the Pacific Basin and to students who submit an abstract. Funding applications can be found on our website and on the call for papers or contact the PBC Secretariat as indicated below.

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#### **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES**

	Region I*	Region II, III & IV**
PBC Member	US\$350	US\$150
Non-Member	US\$450	US\$200
Student	US\$75	US\$10
Single Day	US\$100	US\$75
Presenters of Papers	Deduct US\$50***	Deduct US\$50***

<sup>\*</sup>Region I: Australia, Canada, Fr. Poly., Guam, HK, Japan, Korea, NZ, Sing., UK, US \*Regions II, III, IV: Bang, Camb, Chile, China, Ecuad, Fiji, Guate, India, Indo, Malay, Micron, Nicar, Pak, Palau, Peru, Phil, PNG, S.Arabia, Sri Lanka, Thai., Timor, Vietnam (please see <a href="https://www.pbc.eastwestcenter.org/DuesSchedule.html">www.pbc.eastwestcenter.org/DuesSchedule.html</a> for details)

NOTE: Registration fees are refundable until July 31 less a \$50 processing fee. While refunds will not be given for cancellations after July 31, an alternate or substitute attendee can be arranged. Cancellation of registration must be done in writing and faxed or emailed to June Kuramoto at <a href="mailto:kuramotj@eastwestcenter.org">kuramotj@eastwestcenter.org</a>, fax: 808-944-7380.

#### CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

Or register ONLINE at www.pbc.eastwestcenter.org

NOTE: Non-Americans need a current passport and in some cases a visa to enter the US. For more information, contact the nearest American Embassy or Consulate or visit <a href="http://travel.state.gov/visa/visa\_1750.html">http://travel.state.gov/visa/visa\_1750.html</a>. Note: Visa processing may take in excess of 2 months so apply early. If you require an original letter of invitation, inform us immediately by emailing June Kuramoto at <a href="mailto:kuramotj@eastwestcenter.org">kuramotj@eastwestcenter.org</a>.

### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

The official hotels for the conference are the Ocean Resort Hotel and the Queen Kapiolani Hotel in Waikiki. Special conference rates are available from September 3 - 7 and may be available before and after the conference depending on space. Deadline to make your reservations is August 3, 2005. Please visit <a href="www.pbc.eastwestcenter.org">www.pbc.eastwestcenter.org</a> to download a registration form or email us at pbc@eastwestcenter.org. Note: Due to Labor Day holiday, hotels in Waikiki are nearly full so we recommend making reservations early. After August 3, the hotel will take reservations on a space available basis only. If you are requesting financial support, do not make hotel reservations until you have been notified that you will receive it. A limited number of East-West Center dormitory rooms may be available for students and other budget-conscious participants. Please contact the Secretariat for more information.

## **PAYMENT**

Payment options: 1) online credit card (MasterCard, Visa, AMEX, Discover, Diner's), 2) by certified check, money order or foreign bank draft in \$US payable to East-West Center (reference 2005 PBC Conference), or 3) by wire transfer in US dollars to First Hawaiian Bank, Manoa Branch, 2764 Woodlawn Drive, Honolulu, Hawaii 96822, Acct. No. 44-045699, Attn: 2005 PBC, ABA#121301015. Please indicate individual's name on payment document.

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