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IUFRO – 8.01.02 Landscape Ecology

International Conference

Landscape Ecology and Forest Management - Challenges and Solutions -



Information and Abstract Submission

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Meeting Theme

The science of landscape ecology is a rapidly evolving academic field with an emphasis on studying large-scale spatial heterogeneity created by natural influences and human activities. These advances have important implications for managing and conserving natural resources. You are invited to join us to explore the nexus between science and application in a landscape that has been actively managed for human welfare for millennia. This conference in Chengdu, Sichuan, P.R. China is aimed at highlighting both the challenges and solutions to managing forested landscapes for a variety of values and benefits. Contributions are encouraged in one or more of the following topics:

1. Conservation and Landscape Restoration
2. Landscape Health and Ecological Process-based Management
3. Multi-purpose Management and Landscape Sustainability
4. Technologies and Techniques Supporting Landscape Management
5. Urban Forestry and Planning: A Frontier
6. And more

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Meeting Venue

The conference will be held between Sept. 16 and 18, 2008 and followed by a 3-day field trip to beautiful western Sichuan at the foothills of the Tibetan Plateau. Sichuan is known for its diverse species, topography, people, history, and much more. If you are planning on arriving early, extending your stay, or bringing your family, we will provide you with tourism information and connections.

Intensive forest management applied across the region



Long history of land management such as the first human hydro-engineer (Du Jiang Yan)



A region with high endemic species and biological diversity such as Panda



Chengdu is the center of Chinese culture, food, tradition, and ...



Travel Grant

A limited number of scholarships are available to cover travel and lodging expenses for this conference. Priority will be given to graduate students and landscape ecologists from developing countries. Contact Jessica Schaefer at: jessica.schaefer@utoledo.edu

Deadlines

Abstract submission	Dec. 15, 2007
Notification of acceptance	Jan. 15, 2008
Extend abstract submission	Apr 15, 2008
Conference	Sep. 16-18, 2008
Post conference field trips	Sep. 19-22, 2008
Manuscript for edited book/journal	Nov. 30, 2008

Details on registration, accommodation, and travel information can be found at the conference WebPages. Special issues for journals and an edited book are planned.