

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT



Africa Group

2ND ALL AFRICA ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CONGRESS MALAWI 2010



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“ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH - KEY TO A BETTER LIFE FOR ALL”

Introduction

The African continent has increasingly been affected by various environmental health challenges. A great proportion of the health problems in this region are linked to environmental health. One of the major challenges to environmental health has been the very low levels of environmental health awareness and the lack of sustainable strategies for environmental health controls.

It is against this background that the Africa Group of the International Federation of Environmental Health (IFEH) in collaboration with the Malawi Environmental Health Association, Government of Malawi and the University of Malawi welcomes the **submission of abstracts** for papers to be presented at the **2nd IFEH Africa Group All Africa Environmental Health Congress** to be held at the Crossroads Hotel, Lilongwe, from 24th – 27th May 2010.

Vision

The vision of this Congress is improvement of the standards of environmental health in Africa.

Objectives of the Congress

- Raise the profile of environmental health in Africa
- Sharing best practices of environmental health services delivery in Africa
- Enhance inter-country collaboration in environmental health practice
- Addressing the training needs of environmental health
- Promote the environmental health needs of children in Africa
- Promote environmental health research

Congress Sub-Themes

Water and Sanitation, Food Safety, Chemicals and Pesticides, Environmental Remediation, Community Development, Data use and Information Management, Environmental Pollution, Disease Surveillance, Port Health, Disaster Management, Community/Child Health,, Environment and Health, Waste Management, Policy and Legislation, Occupational Health and Safety, Research, Environmental Health Training and Development, Climate change and health, and Communicable diseases

Targeted participants

The conference will target various groups of specialists, managers, students, practitioners, entrepreneurs, and leaders involved directly or indirectly with environmental health science, practice, and research. Environmental health agencies are therefore encouraged to send participants to the conference.

Congress medium

A combination of communication media will be used for the Congress. The main method will be oral and poster presentations organised in thematic sessions. Large group and plenary sessions will be included for major pertinent issues. In addition, the following techniques will be used:

- Focus group discussions
- Invited addresses
- Exhibitions
- Local field visits

Guidelines for Abstract

A Abstract format

- Abstract should be prepared by MS Word using font not smaller than 12 point
- Author and co-author(s) names, institutions/departments/organisations, are to be typed under the title. Underline the name of the presenting author and do not include degrees or professional titles
- The title of abstracts must be in CAPITAL letters not exceed 255 letters and the abstract text must contain not more than 250 words
- Abstract must be written in English and the text must be single-spaced. All margins should be 30 mm. Leave a blank line between paragraphs and do not indent paragraphs
- The use of tables and figures in abstract is discouraged

B Abstract content

- Objectives
- Study methods
- Results
- Conclusion
- Recommendations

C Abstract submission

Interested participants should submit abstract(s) on any of the sub-themes to

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Deadline for the submission of abstracts and full papers is 30th September and 30th December, 2009, respectively.

We would also refer you to our website on <http://www.poly.ac.mw/2aaehcongress/> for further information.