

## INVITATION

Geoscientists from all over the World are cordially invited to attend the International conference on GEOSCIENCE FOR GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT (GeoDev) to be held in Dhaka Bangladesh on October 26-31, 2009. The conference will be organized jointly by AGID (Association of Geoscientists for International Development), BGS (Bangladesh Geological Society), GSB (Geological Survey of Bangladesh), and IGEO (International Geoscience Education Organization).

## OBJECTIVES

Human civilization and enhancement of living standards are the result of development activities. Industrialization, urbanization, exploration & exploitation of natural resources and construction of roads, highways, dams and bridges are the major development activities going on worldwide. Unfortunately, such development activities are also causing global warming, air and water pollution, health hazards, and broadly speaking, degrading the natural environments necessary for the survival and welfare of mankind.

We want development - want to improve the standard of our living. And at the same time, we also want to preserve the nature because we have an unquenched liking for the shape, beauty and charms of the world.

This International Conference is intended for exchanging ideas, concepts and activities in geosciences, the science of the Earth. And also for recommending ways and initiatives for sustainable global development, which is also the prime goal of the International Year of Planet Earth (IYPE).

## THEMES

### Development Activities

- \* Geoscience for development activities: Development of cities & industries and construction of highways, dams & bridges.
- \* Impact of development activities on the natural environment.
- \* Natural hazards assessment and infrastructure development.
- \* Climate change, ecology and bio-diversity

### Natural Resources

- \* Exploration, exploitation and management of natural resources.
- \* Combating energy crises and researching alternative sources.
- \* Water resources development, management & quality assurance.
- \* Role of NGO's in natural resource management and environmental protection.

### Geoscience Education

- \* Geoscience education and awareness for mankind.
- \* Woman in geo-education and geo-development.
- \* New approaches in geoscience education & research.

## CALL FOR PAPERS

Papers are invited from geoscientists interested to participate in the International Conference GeoDev. The paper will be within 5 pages including an abstract not exceeding 200 words, figures, tables and list of references in Type-script and on A4 size paper. Paper(s) should be sent by e-mail - hard copy(ies) and in compact disk should also follow.

## GUIDELINES FOR PAPERS

- o Language: English
- o Title: 14 point font, caps-small, bold. Times New Roman
- o Name of the Author(s): 12 point font cap -small.
- o Affiliation: 10 point font, cap -small.
- o Headlines: 12 point font, cap -small, bold.
- o Text: 10 point font, Margin: Left-2.54 cm; Right-2 cm.
- o Top: First page 3cm; other pages-2cm; Bottom-2cm.
- o Figure: To be within text; caption at the bottom.
- o Poster size: Length 120 cm and width 90 cm.

## PUBLICATION

Papers submitted for presentation at the conference will be reviewed by the Editorial Board and published in a Special Conference Volume, which will be distributed during registration. The proceedings of NESDA (Role of Natural Resources and Environment for Sustainable Development in South and Southeast Asia), 2003, will be available during the GeoDev

## REGISTRATION FEES

- Foreign Participant from Developed Countries: US\$ 400  
Accompanying Person: US\$ 200
- Foreign Participant from Developing Countries: US\$ 200  
Accompanying Person: US\$ 100
- Foreign Students Participant: US\$ 150
- Bangladeshi Participant: BDT 500  
Student Participant: BDT 250

## ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation expenses for all foreign participants are included in the registration fees.

## FIELD TRIP

2-day post-conference Field Trips will be organized. Detailed information, including fees, will be given in the second circular.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Submission of Pre-registration form by **31 January 2009**
- Submission of Abstract by **15 March 2009**
- Acceptance of Abstract by **15 April 2009**
- Submission of full paper by **30 June 2009**
- Second & Final Announcement by **15 July 2009**

## PRE REGISTRATION FORM

(To be sent by E mail or by post within **31 January 2009**)

Name: Last-----Middle-----

First name-----

Affiliation:-----

Address:-----

Country:-----

Email:-----

Phone:-----Fax-----

Mobile:-----

**I am interested to:** (Please Tick relevant box/s)

i. Attend only:-----

ii. Present Paper(s)-----

iii. Poster presentation-----

iv. Attend field trip:-----

**I shall be accompanied by:** (Spouse/Children/Friend)

1. Spouse Name:-----

2. Children's name and Age:

(i)-----

(ii)-----

3. Friend's name:-----

**Payment of Registration Fee:** (Please Tick relevant Box)

i. Cheque:-----

ii. Cash:-----

**Accommodation:** (Please Tick relevant Box)

I. Single-----  ii. Shared-----

\*Extra fee will be needed for single accommodation.

**Food Habit:** (Please Tick relevant Box)

i. Vegetarian. -----  ii. Non- vegetarian-----

Signature of the participant:-----

Date:-----

(Note: Photocopy will be accepted)

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*Note: Second and Final announcement containing detail information regarding Conference venue, Technical Sessions, Plenary Sessions, Exhibition, Excursions, Fees for Field Trip, Accommodation etc will be mailed to those who responded and sent the Pre-Registration Forms. If any query please contact with the corresponding addresses.*

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Sundarbans, the world heritage site declared by UNESCO



Ahsan Manjil, a historical building, on the bank of River Buriganga, Dhaka - good for geowalk.

## First Announcement



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