



The 8th IALE World Congress

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Congress Theme:

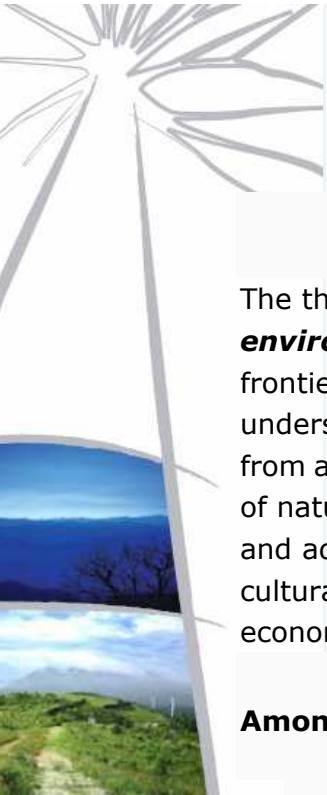
Landscape ecology for sustainable environment and culture

Updates and Announcements as of September 8, 2010

We are pleased to announce that **the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS), National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC), China Association for Science and Technology (CAST), and International Association for Landscape Ecology (IALE),** are sponsors for the **2011 IALE World Congress.**



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Call for Symposium Proposals

The theme of the world congress is ***landscape ecology for sustainable environment and culture***. The goal of the congress is to highlight the frontiers of the science of landscape ecology and promote communication and understanding between different cultures. The meeting will bring participants from all over the world to discuss landscape change due to intensified influences of nature and human society. It will include discussion on landscape resilience and adaptive capacity, application of landscape ecology in understanding cultural landscapes, biodiversity responses to climate change, landscape economics, adaptive management and etc.

Among possible topics are:

- Resilience and adaptive capacity of socio-ecological landscape systems
- Accommodating biodiversity responses and engineering restoration in adapting to climate change
- Landscape economics: valuing ecosystem services at the landscape scale
- Adaptive landscape management: Rethinking monitoring approaches, indicators, and the role of models
- Landscape ecology and its application in understanding cultural landscapes and the maintenance of indigenous knowledge
- Landscapes and humans: linking landscape pattern perception and human well-being (includes urban areas)
- Sustainable energy and sustainable landscapes
- Landscape genetics (application of network theory, conservation and connectivity)
- Multi-functional landscapes
- Landscape ecology of ecosystem disturbances
- Landscape ecology and coastal and marine sustainability

You are kindly invited to submit a proposal for a symposium or a training course to the 2011 IALE World Congress. All presenters are invited by the symposium organizer basically. But the conference organizer has the opportunity to fill in contributed oral presentations into related symposiums at "empty" time slots. The standard time slots are "15 minutes of presentation + 5 minutes discussion".

Intensive training courses are usually held before or after the congress with a maximum of 3 days. Courses with less than 20 participants registered will be cancelled.

Requirements and Guidelines

Title

Principal Organizer (Name, affiliation)

Co-organizers (Names, affiliations)

Description and justification of the symposium or training course:
Background information, goals, objectives, importance, and interest to the congress participants, better within 200-300 words.

Speakers (Names, affiliations, and tentative titles)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Full information of the proposal contact person (Name, institution or affiliation, address, phone, fax, e-mail)

We have now received a number of proposals. The deadline for symposium and training course proposal submission has been postponed to **December 1, 2010**. Please send your proposal to iale2011@sina.com.

Call for Abstracts

Submission of abstract will be open on October 1, 2010.

Requirements and Guidelines

First author's name (e.g. Mike N. LEE)¹, Second author's name², ...

¹*First author's affiliation, City, Zip code, Country;* ²*Second author's affiliation, City, Zip code, Country; ...*

E-mail: Contact's e-mail address

The abstract should be in **English** and within **one-page** limit. Please follow the format and style described in this template.

Please use A4 (210 mm × 297mm) paper size. The abstract should be at least **200** words, but not exceeding one A4 page, including figures, with page margins of 25 mm all around. Use font type Times New Roman, with single spaced lines.

Title of the paper (14 points, bolded) is followed by one blank line. The presenting author's name should be underlined. Author's affiliations (12 points, italic, centered) and email address of the contact person are written in separate rows.

Abstract text (12 points) in paragraphs are not indented, only separated by one blank line. References should be indicated in the text in brackets and listed at the end of the paper (12 points) (e.g.: Wang et al., 2009). Figures should be



placed preceding the references list.

Abstracts must arrive at the Conference Secretariat by **April 1, 2011**. The submission of your abstract in Microsoft Word2003 is most welcome via email to iale2011@sina.com as an attachment. Please indicate in the email which symposium you are supposed to present this paper, if applicable. Otherwise we will arrange your presentation in the open session. Please also specify if your abstract is for poster. Acknowledgement may be addressed as the last paragraph of the text body.

A series of conference publications, including special issue of peer reviewed journals, will be planned.

Application for Financial Support

IALE and the 8th IALE World Congress will provide a limited number of grants for prosperous student participants (especially those from developing countries). Selected students will be waived for the congress registration fee, and receive some amount of cash support upon registration at the conference. The selection of winners will be mainly based on the scientific quality of research demonstrated in the abstract. Application materials should be submitted via email to iale2011@sina.com by **February 28, 2011**. Requirements for the application (including application forms) will be available online soon (<http://www.iale2011.org/page.asp?id=11>).

Excursions

The participants will have opportunities to experience a wide diversity of Chinese cultural and natural landscapes during the pre-, mid- and post-congress excursions.

- Pan-Beijing: the Great wall, Forbidden city, Temple of Heaven, Summer Palace
- Xi-an: Terracotta warriors and horses, Grand Mosque, Muslim area, Big Wild Goose Pagoda
- The Three Gorges Dam and reservoir
- Other excursion routes, such as Tibet and Silk Road, will also be considered.

Note: Please visit our congress webpage for more updating information <http://www.iale2011.org/>.

