

Call for Abstracts on Scientific and Technological Approaches for Sustainable Use of Water Resources

Global Indian Scientists and Technocrats Forum (GIST) 2010 invites papers for its convention on '**Scientific and Technological Approaches for Sustainable Use of Water Resources**'. The convention aims to achieve a comprehensive understanding of the present status and future thinking in 'Science, Technology and Engineering' of the subject.

The Scientific Program Committee headed by **Dr C. D. Thatte**, Former Secretary to Govt of India and later Secretary General ICID Honoraire has adopted in its scope the following themes for the sessions: River Basin Hydrology and Climate Change, Water and Irrigated Agriculture, Water for Drinking/Domestic and Industrial Use, Water for Energy, Water for Environment. With its focus intended only on scientific part of these themes, the convention will consciously steer clear of socio-economic and political facets. Each of these five themes will include papers presented by eminent authorities through 'theme papers' followed with 'Response papers' on the sub-themes identified. For more details, please visit www.gist2010.org.

Scientists, researchers, innovators, professionals and industrial organizations are requested to submit the Abstracts of their papers corresponding to any of the topics and sub-themes by **25 August 2010** on e-mail abstracts@gist2010.org.

Vijyana Bharati and Maharashtra Education Society are the organizers of this convention which will be held in Pune on 26 and 27 December 2010.

For further assistance please contact:

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Short Term Training Course on Molecular Techniques in Plant Biology

The Department of Plant Science will be organizing a DBT-sponsored training course for mid-career scientist involved in undergraduate teaching in Life Sciences (Botany, Microbiology, Biotechnology) from 18 September to 1 October 2010. The course would consist of Lectures followed by practical's/ hands on session.

Faculty, holding regular positions in colleges or universities may apply for this course. Application may be sent to the **Course Director** stating

1. Name and address for communication including e-mail i.d., mobile number
2. Educational qualifications and research/teaching experience
3. Present place and nature of work
4. Research interest
5. Whether the candidate has undertaken such DBT-sponsored training courses

Last date of receipt of applications **30 August 2010**. Short-listed candidates will be informed in the first week of September 2010. Number of participants is limited to 12. Details of the course can be accessed from the University website: www.bdu.ac.in. Few participants will be provided TA/DA as per the University rule, based on their merit.

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