# The 9th International **Conference on Public Communication of** Science and **Technology (PCST-9)**

"Scientific Culture for Global Citizenship"

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**PCST Network** 

The International Network on Public Communication of Science and Technology (PCST) is a network of individuals from

around the world who are active in producing and studying PCST. The PCST Network sponsors international

conferences, electronic discussions, and other activities to foster dialogue among the different groups of people interested

in PCST, leading to cross-fertilization across professional, cultural, international, and disciplinary boundaries.

INVITATION

Welcome to PCST-9,

Scientific Culture for Global Citizenship!

This is the first International Public Communication of Science and Technology (PCST) Network ever to be staged in Asia.

In addition to fostering communication of science and technology to the public, the PCST Network aims to enhance

communication between the traditions and modern world, and between science and the humanities. We are gratified to

host the 9th PCST Conference in Korea.

PCST-9 will take place in Seoul, Korea, during May 17-20, 2006. This conference will not only be an opportunity for

academics and professionals in science communication to interact but will also be a festival in which participants can gain an

unforgettable experience. With 'Scientific Culture for Global Citizenship' as its theme, the conference provides opportunity

for debating and networking various scientific experiences, and connecting a wide range of cultures and nationalities.

PCST-9 is a new launch pad for bridging science and society at a global level, and is an arena for challenging global issues. In

addition, PCST-9 provides a unique chance to experience the dynamics of the Asian spirit.

Join us at PCST-9, where you will experience science at your fingertips, and discover the beauties of the "land of morning

calm."

I am honored to invite you to PCST-9 and look forward to welcoming you to Seoul in May 2006.

KunMo Chung

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# Scientific Program

| Time  | May 17<br>(Wed)            | May 18<br>(Thu)                 | May 19<br>(Fri)                 | May 20<br>(Sat)  |
|-------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|
| 09:00 | Opening Ceremony           | Plenary Lecture Plenary Lecture |                                 | Plenary Lecture  |
| 10:00 | Break                      |                                 |                                 |                  |
| 11:00 | Plenary Lecture            | Parallel Sessions               | Parallel Sessions               | Closing Ceremony |
| 12:00 | Lunch & Poster Presentaion |                                 | 1 100 0                         |                  |
| 13:00 |                            | Lunch & Poster Presentaion      | Lunch & Poster Presentaion      |                  |
| 14:00 |                            |                                 |                                 |                  |
| 15:00 | Parallel Sessions          | Parallel Sessions               | Transfer to Korean Folk Village |                  |
| 16:00 | Break                      | Break                           |                                 |                  |
| 17:00 | Parallel Sessions          | Parallel Sessions               | Excursion                       |                  |
| 18:00 |                            |                                 |                                 |                  |
| 19:00 |                            |                                 |                                 |                  |
| 20:00 | Welcome Dinner             |                                 | Conference Banquet              |                  |

<sup>\*</sup> Registration will start at 08:00 am throughout the duration of the Conference.

# **Pre-Conference**

The Pre-Conference program will start with an ecological tour in which you can experience firsthand the natural beauty of Jeju, including the lush subtropical forests, many different varieties of lava caves, sandy beaches and spectacular craters. You will also be able to take part in the hot debate on "Tsunami Disaster and Science Communication."

# **PCST Junior Award**

At PCST-9, we will present the first "PCST Junior Award." The recipient will be chosen among those who have submitted outstanding abstracts.

# **Post-Conference Workshop**

This will be a unique opportunity to meet with experts and prominent scientists from around the world and share the latest information on "Science Festivals in the Modern World." The sessions will be followed by technical visits to various cultural places as well as Korea's most advanced industrial site.

# **Great Service Award**

For the first time in the history of the PCST Conference, an award will be presented to an outstanding achievement or contribution in the PCST field.



# **Theme Specification**

# I. Main Theme: Scientific Culture for Global Citizenship

#### Specification 1

What is the essence of a scientific culture? It is in the "informed citizen" and in helping people to participate actively in the policy decision-making process of a science-driven society. PCST should and can discuss how to enhance the public's scientific literacy, which results in a scientific culture and global citizenship that are internationally shared.

#### Specification 2

We live in a dangerous world plagued with global problems such as earthquake, global warming, population overgrowth, lack of energy resources, weapons of mass destruction, and terrorism. The role of a scientific culture is to enhance public awareness of the involvement of science in these problems, at physical, social, regional, and global levels.

### II. Sub-Themes

- Informed Citizen: Theory & Practice (Theoretical Approach)
- Practicing Scientists: Key Actor for Global Citizenship (Actor Approach)
- Scientific Contribution & Communication to Global Problem Solving (Practical Approach)
- Societal & Educational System in Diverse Culture (Institutional Approach)
- PCST in the World and in Asia
- Dialogue between Tradition and Science
- Reaching the Opinion Leaders
- Nexus of High-Tech and Society
- Indicators of Public Engagement with S & T
- Others

# **How to Submit**

# **Submitting an Abstract**

- »» Submission of abstracts should be made in accordance with the guidelines at www.pcst2006.org.
- »» Abstract submission will be available online from October 10.

# **Important Dates**

»» Deadline for Abstract Submission: November 30, 2005

»» Notification of Acceptance : January 31, 2006»» Deadline for Full Paper : February 28, 2006



# **Organization**

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# **Registration Fees**

| Category           |         | Pre-Registration<br>(On or before 31 March 2006) | On-Site Registration |
|--------------------|---------|--|----------------------|
| OECD Countries     | General | US \$200   | US \$250             |
| OECD Countries     | Student | US \$100   | US \$130             |
| Non-OECD Countries | General | US \$100   | US \$130             |
| Non-OECD Countries | Student | US \$50  | US \$70              |

<sup>\*</sup> A special rate will be offered to Session Presenters.

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<sup>\*</sup> The Travel Award system will provide selected persons with airfare and accommodation.

<sup>\*</sup> Information on the official hotels will be provided shortly.

<sup>\*</sup> Registration for the Pre-Conference and PCST Conference will be available online. For the Post-Conference Workshop, on-site registration will also be available. Please refer to the website for details.

<sup>\*</sup> Register online at www.pcst2006.org or download the registration form and apply by e-mail or fax.

<sup>\*</sup> A number of sponsorship benefits will be provided to you during the Conference. For information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact the PCST-9 Secretariat at pcst9@pcst2006.org.