

First Announcement of ILTER 2007

International Conference on Long-Term Ecological Research
Long-term Ecological Research: Meeting the Challenges of Sustainable Ecosystem
Management from Local to Global Scales

(Call for papers)

Highlights: three major activities will be conducted during this event

1. **Science Conference**, including science symposia , workshops and poster sessions on 20-21 August 2007;
2. **Business Meetings**: The 2007 Annual Meeting of the ILTER Network on 22-23 August; and
3. **Post-conference Excursion** on 24-28 August 2007

Dates: 20-21 August 2007

Venue: Institute of Geographic Sciences and Natural Resources Research(IGSNRR), Chinese Academy of Sciences(CAS) , Beijing, China

Agendas will be given in the second announcement.

Sponsored by

International Long-Term Ecological Research Network (ILTER)
Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST), People's Republic of China
National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC)
Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS)

Locally organized by

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Working language:

English

Participants

The conference will target scientists working on long-term ecological studies in the member networks of ILTER.

Call for papers

Topics:

Plenary sessions, workshops and poster sessions will be organized for the conference. All paper abstracts submitted to the conference are required to address the major theme: long-term ecological research—meeting the challenges of sustainable ecosystem management from local to global scales. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to the following:

- Biodiversity conservation
- Hydrology

- Biogeochemical cycling of carbon, nitrogen and other elements
- Eco-informatics
- Ecosystem restoration and rehabilitation
- Response of ecosystems to disturbances, including climate change, natural hazards and human activities
- Socio-economic dimensions of sustainable ecosystem management
- Urban ecology, and
- others

Abstract submission

Extended abstracts (2 pages of A4 size) of the papers are required, which should be submitted to ZHAO Shidong (E-mail: zhaosd@igsnr.ac.cn and zhaosd@cern.ac.cn) for selection with a copy to Pengfei LAI (laipf@cern.ac.cn)

Important dates

Deadline for abstract submission (oral and poster): 30 June 2007

Deadline for notification of acceptance of abstract: 31 July 2007.

Abstract Style and Format

1. Abstract Style

The abstracts should be short, clear, concise and written in English with correct spelling and good sentence structure. Only abstracts that address one of the conference topics will be accepted.

2. Extended Abstract Format

2.1 Paper length: two pages of standard A4. (210x297mm)

2.2 Letter point: abstract title 14pt (bold and center-aligned), author's names 12pt, text 10pt. Times New Roman font

2.3 Brief Biography

Including name(s) of author(s), institution(s), contact address, city and country, email address with the name of the presenting author appearing first on your list

2.4 List of 2-5 keywords

Registration fees

US\$ 250 before 30 June 2007

US\$ 300 after 30 June 2007/on-site

The registration fee includes the costs for the proceedings, coffee/tea, meals and banquet during the meeting, as well as transportation fares between Beijing Capital Airport and the hotel.

ILTER Coordinating Committee Meeting

Dates: 22-23 August 2007

Participants: Members of ILTER Coordinating Committee and representatives of each member network of ILTER

Agendas will be given in the second announcement.

City tour in Beijing

Dates: 22-23 August 2007

Participants: international attendees who wish to visit Beijing

Attractions: Forbidden City, Temple of Heaven, Great Wall, Ming Tombs...

Total costs: US\$ 150 (including bus fares, tickets, meals, city tour insurance and tour guide fees)

Post-conference excursion:

Dates: 24-28 August 2007

Total costs: US \$ 600, including transportation, hotel, meals and tickets during the excursion. The final destination is Ansai Research Station of CERN, located in the Loess Plateau, with outstanding achievements in long-term ecological observation, research, sustainable ecosystem management and contributions to local socio-economic development.

On the way from Beijing to Ansai, there are several stops, including Xi'an, an ancient city, and Yangling, where the Institute of Water and Soil Conservation, CAS, is based.

Note: The post-conference excursion is only for international participants. Detailed arrangements for the excursion will be given in the second announcement.

Itinerary will be given in the second announcement.

Hotel information

All international participants are advised to stay at Foreign Experts Building Beijing, a modernized four-star hotel invested by the government. It can be easily accessed from Beijing international airport. It is only a ten-minute drive from the hotel to our conference venue—the Institute of Geographic Sciences and Natural Resources Research, CAS.

Price Quotation

Special rate at (RMB/US\$) —including breakfast

Standard Room	1980 RMB /238 US\$ per night	580 RMB /75 US\$ per night
Deluxe Apartment	2480 RMB /299 US\$ per night	680 RMB /90 US\$ per night
Luxury Suite	2980 RMB /299 US\$ per night	880 RMB /115 US\$ per night

You can book your room through the secretariat of the conference or directly with the hotel at Foreign Experts Building Beijing.]

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Registration form

Thank you for your interest in this conference. Please complete the following information and return the form to Mr. Pengfei LAI at cef@cern.ac.cn; LAIpf@cern.ac.cn or fax to + 86 10 64868962.

- ? I intend to submit a symposium proposal
- ? I intend to submit an abstract for poster presentation
- ? I intend to submit an abstract for oral presentation
- ? I intend to participate as a delegate only
- ? I intend to participate in the city tour of Beijing
- ? I intend to participate in the post-conference excursion to Xi'an

Title (Professor/Dr./Mr./Ms.) _____

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Title of Abstract _____

Passport Information (Optional)

Date of Birth _____ Citizenship _____

Passport Number _____ Passport Expiry Date _____

Need visa application assistance Yes ? No ?

Special Dietary Demand _____