



International Conference on Climate, Water and Policy (ICCWP) 2012

Exploring Climate Application Series I

First Announcement



Busan, Republic of Korea
September 11-13, 2012

1. Overview

International Conference on Climate, Water and Policy 2012 (ICCWP)

Bridging climate, water and policy is critical for developing adaptation strategies on climate variability and change at the regional, national and international levels and will be of increasing importance in the future. Using timely and well-designed climate information for decision-making in the water management context, however, is challenging because there has not been enough research, interaction and communication about the needs and wants of stakeholders such as climate scientists, hydrologists, water resource managers, and policy makers. To resolve this interlinked challenge, therefore, an interdisciplinary approach is required.

The conference will explore climate variability and change impacts on water resource planning and management across four major categories:

- Climate variability impacts water availability and floods at short term (days) to seasonal (months) time scales;
- Climate change and variability impact water security and flood damage at decadal and inter decadal time scales;
- Dissemination of probabilistic climate and water information to water managers for operational planning and decision making; and
- Policy and international cooperation building on adaptation to climate change

The overall objective of the conference, therefore, is to examine various modes of climate information application with different time scales in the water management context and how these are taken into account for water policy at the regional, national and international level. The conference will attract up to 60 international participants from both developing and developed countries.

2. Date and Venue

The three-day conference will take place at APEC Climate Center, Busan, Republic of Korea from September 11 – 13, 2012

APEC Climate Center

1463 U-dong

Haeundae-gu, Busan, 612-020

Republic of Korea

Website: <http://www.apcc21.org/>



3. Call for Abstract

The conference will include keynote speeches, oral presentations and poster displays. We welcome abstracts on the following topics for these sessions.

- Why do water resource managers not use climate forecasts?
- Application of seasonal climate forecasting to hydrologic forecasting and water resource management
- Assessment of the accuracy and reliability of climate and seasonal streamflow forecasts at hydrologic scales
- Long term climate variability and change and water resource management
- Developing effective communication channels and toolkits among climate scientist, water resource managers and policy makers
- International cooperation and policy

All abstracts must be submitted via email. Please submit abstracts to swchung@apcc21.net and copy climatewater2012@gmail.com to ensure that all abstracts are received. The deadline for abstract submission is 30 June 2012.

5. Organizers

APEC Climate Center (APCC), Republic of Korea

The APEC Climate Center was established in 2005 with the endorsement and warm welcome of APEC senior officials and leaders. The Center produces climate information products and services based on a multi-model ensemble prediction system. We organize the annual APEC Climate Symposium which allows various scientists, academics, policy-makers and other stakeholders to share the latest science and technology in climate prediction and explore applications.

Bureau of Meteorology (BoM), Australia

The Bureau of Meteorology is Australia's national weather, climate and water agency. Its expertise and services assist Australians in dealing with the harsh realities of their natural environment, including drought, floods, fires, storms, tsunamis and tropical cyclones. Through regular forecasts, warnings, monitoring and advice spanning the Australian region and Antarctic territory, the Bureau provides one of the most fundamental and widely used services of government.

Korea Water Resources Corporation (K-Water), Republic of Korea

Since its establishment in 1967, K-water has been implementing national water resources management policies regarding multi-purpose dams, water supply dams and regional water supply systems. It is also making a significant contribution toward the development of the national economy and improving the quality of life for local people. In commemoration of

the 40th anniversary of its foundation, K-water has launched the strategic mission; Water for the Happier World and it is pursuing innovation and change, in order to become the "Best Water Partner" in the world.

6. Registration

Online registration will open in June. An email notification will be sent to invited participants. You may also check the APCC website www.apcc21.org for updates.

7. Travel Arrangements

Limited amount of travel funding is available for invited speakers for the International Conference on Climate, Water and Policy (ICCWP)

8. Hotel Accommodation

APCC has arranged for a block reservation at the Haeundae Centum Hotel (<http://www.ecentumhotel.com>) for September 10 – 14, 2012. Reservations must be made by August 13, 2012 to ensure availability of rooms. Please download the attached reservation form here for your reference.



9. Visa

All delegates are required to possess passports with visas or entry permits for the Republic of Korea. Please visit the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade website (http://www.mofat.go.kr/ENG/visa/application/index.jsp?menu=m_40_10) for information on procuring a visa. You are advised to apply early at the local Korea Embassy near you. Visa costs and applications should be borne by the traveler. The local hosts will be issuing letters of invitation for those who require one. For assistance, please contact Mr. Seungwon Chung (swchung@apcc21.net) with your name and address as soon as possible.

10. Other Information

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