**10TH INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT**

**July 6-10, 2015**

**Conference Center in Havana**

**Cuba**

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Dear colleagues:

The Environment Agency of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment of the Republic of Cuba, together with other agencies and organizations, are kindly inviting researchers, authorities, educators, specialists, managers, entrepreneurs, professionals, producers and other people around the world working for the sustainability of our planet, to participate in the 10th International Convention on Environment and Development, to be held from July 6th -10th, 2015, at the Havana Convention Centre.

The nine previous editions of this convention were attended by more than 7,000 people, approximately 50 % of whom came from more than 60 countries on the five continents of the world.

This year´s Convention will emphatically promote cooperation among countries, exchange of experiences, sustainable practices, and knowledge transfer, in order to cope with the urgent necessity of creating a new concept for development. The new approach will absolutely be based on the principles of solidarity, collaboration and mutual responsibility among people. Likewise, it will provide an opportunity to encourage economic, social and environmentally - sustainable growth and the dignity of human beings in present and future generations.

In addition, as there is no unique model for development debates are intended to underline the importance of creating a universal and integral development agenda that is flexible enough to meet the requirements, priorities and particularities of every country and region around the world.

The 10th Convention is organized around several events covering many current environmental content such as: Climate Change, Environmental Education, Protected Areas, Environmental Management, Management of Ecosystems and Biodiversity, Environmental Policy and Law, Sustainability Science, Natural History Museums, Disaster Hazards, Environmental Planning, Land Sustainable Management, Environmental Control and Regulation, Transportation and Environment and the Reduction and Elimination of Ozone Layer Depleting Substances. Like in previous editions, there will be an associated Exhibition Fair dealing with Technologies, Projects and Environmental Experiences.

The Organizing Committee of the Convention extends this invitation to present professional contributions, hoping to achieve common goals in an atmosphere of friendship and solidarity.

Looking forward to your attendance,

Best regards,

Gisela Alonso Domínguez, PhD.

Organizing Committee CEO

**2nd CONGRESS ON ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY, LAW AND JUSTICE**

**ORGANIZING COMMITTEE.**

President of the 2nd Congress on Politics, Law and Environmental Justice: Dra. Odalys M. Goicochea Cardoso.

Secretary of the 2nd Congress on Politics, Law and Environmental Justice: MSc. Teresa Cruz Sardiñas.

**Objective:**
Providing a space for conceptual and academic discussion on current paradigms that, as of global crises facing humanity, are moving policy and environmental law into the design of a sustainable development law, particularly on the need of new approaches to the use of policy instruments and the right to require greater integration of economic, social and environmental variables.

**Topics:
Impact of global crises on policy and environmental law.**

* Challenges and paradigms of environmental law.
* Environmental Law as an instrument for sustainable development. Policies, legislation, mechanisms and instruments.
* Environmental law front to trade, industry and climate change issues.
* Litigation, jurisprudence and environmental statements. Trends, effectiveness, and compliance.
* The Environmental International Right, crisis or stagnation.

**Approaches and trends of environmental policy and environmental law as of the Post-2015.**

* International context, actions of Cuba for a sustainable development.
* Solidarity and collaboration in the confrontation of the environmental problems of global scale.
* The environmental politics, science and the technique in function of the economic development, social and environmental
* State and tendencies in the use of the natural resources.
* Environmental Governability and environmental Justice.
* Protection in Law of the biodiversity.
* Environmental damages.

**Main Organizing Entity:**Direction of Environment of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment (CITMA)

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**CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION**

The convention includes many kinds of events: congresses, colloquiums, symposia and workshops. Those interested in exhibiting their contributions in those events will do it through oral lectures and posters.

Oral lectures will usually provide 15 minutes for the presentation and be organized according to the kind of form: panels, roundtable discussions, and special thematic sessions.

The poster presentations will be held in a designated area for the presentation of posters, which will be presented in a 95cm (horizontal width)-150cm (vertical length) format. Each paper will be assigned the day and time of submission within the scientific program. The author will be present at the fixed time to respond any questions from the participants.

Those interested could ask for the presentation modality to the Scientific Committee (oral, poster), however, the committee will keep the right to define it and will inform to the author.

**ABSTRACTS AND PUBLICATION OF PAPERS**

Participants interested in presenting a papers either an orally or posters presentation should send an abstract in Spanish, English or Portuguese languages to convencion@ama.cu with copy to emails cruz@citma.cu or lizy@citma.cu . In the body of the email, you should indicate the Congress in which you wish to expose the paper and the proposed format.

Summaries of **Cuban participants** should be sent to the Organizing Committee before **February 28, 2015.** Abstracts of **foreign participants** should be sent to the Organizing Committee before **March 31, 2013.** The Organizing Committee will select and notify the authors of accepted abstracts before **April 15, 2013**, reserving the right to determine the manner of presentation, which will be reported to the authors.

The Organizing Committee will publish the full papers of the authors who wish, in ISBN electronic format, for which those interested should sent them, once the acceptance of the abstract has been informed, before **May 20, 2015**. Works arriving after this date will not have their publication granted in the event’s memories.

**Rules for submission of abstracts:**

• Abstracts should be submitted in on-line edition of text and express clearly and briefly the objectives and scope of the study, basic procedures, methods, results and conclusions. They do not include images, tables, formulas, complex symbols or acronyms in the body of the abstract.

• They should be submitted in a Microsoft Word document, using Arial font 12 pts in A4 format with single-spaced, margins 2.5 cm on all sides. The document must be saved as Word 97-2003 format and may not exceed one page.

• The title of the work is written with capital letter.

• The full names of the authors will be located separate at 12 pts of the title and left justified in Arial 12 pts. In case of more than one author, their names will be put one after another separated by commas. Next to the name of each author, a footnote indicating the institution of affiliation, country of each author and their email address will be inserted.

• The abstract will be about 250 words excluding the title or the authors' names. The font size in this case is Arial 12 pts., and it will be written in blocks with periods. Do not write the word ABSTRACT in it.

• At the end of the abstract and with a 12 pt space, 3-5 keywords will be provided for.

**Rules for submission of full papers:**

• The works should be submitted in on-line edition of text with a maximum of 20 pages and one megabyte, and minimum of 10 pages. As abstracts are presented in a Microsoft Word document, using Arial font 12 pts in A4 format with margins 2.5 cm on all sides.

• Single-spaced paragraphs, separated by 12 pts without first line indent, including text, tables, charts, figures, maps, footnotes and bibliographic references. Centralized page numbers at the bottom of each sheet.

•The abstract will be repeated on the first page, as indicated in rules. The title, in capital letter, and authors will be repeated in the second page and then, write the other parts of the document. Introduction, conclusions and references should be necessarily included.

• Tables, charts, graphs, maps, etc, should be inserted near the reference in the text and numbered correctly.

The Organizing Committee of the Convention is not responsible for the content of papers. Contributions that do not comply with the requirements will be deleted automatically and without complaint by the authors.

**AUDIOVISUAL AIDS FOR PRESENTATIONS AT THE PARLOURS**

• Data and video projector

•Computer

The required videos for the presentations should be requested in advance to the Scientific Committee.

The CD, DVD and USB memories, accompanying works will be delivered by the speakers at the Office of Audiovisual Aids Admission, 24 hours previous to the presentation in the parlors.

Digital presentations should comply with the following requirements:
• Operational systems over Windows
• PowerPoint Presentations
• Presentations in CD, DVD, USB memories

• Compressed presentations with the following applications:
 WinZip version 8.0 (or inferior)
 Winrar version 2.5 (or inferior)
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Corel slideshow presentation 9 or 10. Applications needing associated programs should come with their installation programs (Quicktime, Adobe Acrobat, etc.).

**REGISTRATION FEES:**

 Payment until June 5, Payment after June 5,

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Delegates 180.00 CUC 210.00 CUC

Accompaniments 70.00 CUC 70.00 CUC

Students \* 150.00 CUC

\* Only for undergraduates students

**Registration includes:**
Delegates and Students:
• Accreditation module (credential, portfolio, electronic memory (CD), note block, pen, scientific and information program on the Convention).

• Participation in scientific sessions (work sessions, opening and closing activities, master lectures, fairs and social activities of the official program).

• Attendance and author's certificate in case of having presented a work.

Students should introduce an official identification certifying them in this category during the accreditation.

Accompanying person:
• Participation in the opening and closing activities.
• Social activities of the official program.

**Options to register for the convention and pay the registration fee**:
• Send your application form by fax to (537 2045956) or by email at info@cubambiente.com

• Home page URL: www.cubambiente.com
• Online via website at [www.eventospalco.cu](http://www.eventospalco.cu) of the Conference Center in Havana. This will give you the possibility to opt for a special offer with accommodation at Palco Hotel (official hotel), registration fee, in/out transfer and personalized care through a single transaction.
• Directly on the Registration and Accreditation Center of the Conference Center in Havana, venue of the event, at the time of accreditation, in Cuban Convertible Pesos (CUC), the official currency in the country.

**ACCOMMODATION AND BOOKINGS**

The Organizing Committee has decided the **Cubanacan** **Travel Agency** toact as an official agency of the event and for this, it offers the possibility of the following tourist package:

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| **Hotels** | **Single Room** | **Double Room** |
| **CUC** | **CUC** |
| Melia Habana Hotel \*\*\*\*\* | 130.00 | 91.00 |
| Palco Hotel \*\*\*\* | 75.00 | 62.00 |
| Acuario Hotel \*\*\* | 73.00 | 61.00 |
| Neptuno Hotel \*\*\* | 50.00 | 42.00 |

**CUC: CUBAN CONVERTIBLE PESOS**

**The offer includes:**
• Reception at the Jose Marti International Airport in Havana.

• Transfer from the Jose Marti International Airport in Havana to a chosen hotel.
• Lodging in the chosen hotel with breakfast included. In case of the Acuario Hotel, lodging is IT plan without lunch.
• Collective transfer from Hotel to Venue and then the Hotel
• Transfer to the sessions of the event.

• Transfer from the hotel to the Jose Marti International Airport in Havana

• Airport assistance
• Specialized guide.

In order to speeding the booking procedures and have access to preferential tariffs, you may use one of the following ways for hotel booking.

• **Send your booking request to:**

Ms. Niurka Remedios Ballesteros
Sales Executive / Professional Organizer of Congresses
Cubanacan Travel Agency
e.mail: ventas10@avc.ei.tur.cu
Tel: (537) 271-2632, 33
[www.viajescubanacan.cu](http://www.viajescubanacan.cu)

• For online payment accreditation and accommodation queries, you may do so through [Solways Cuba](http://www.solwayscuba.com/) visiting our website.

• Directly contact with the Travels Agencies representing the Conference Center and the CUBANACAN Travels Agency in their respective countries.