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28th Conference

Dates: 19th-24th September 2010 (confirmed)

“Decade of Education for Sustainable Development: Lessons and Processes for a Sustainable World”

Copperbelt University, Kitwe, Zambia

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EEASA 2010 Conference Announcement

The Copperbelt University in partnership with the Zambia Network of Environmental Educators and Practitioners (ZANEEP) is the organiser and host of the 28th Annual Conference of the Environmental Education Association of Southern Africa (EEASA) to be held in 2010. EEASA is an international association of academics, researchers, and practitioners in all disciplines, civic society, governmental, non-governmental organisations, and others interested in the environment and sustainable development.

The theme for the 28th Annual Conference at CBU in Zambia is: *Decade of Education for Sustainable Development: Lessons and Processes for a Sustainable World*. It provides for reflection upon our various activities, projects and programmes so as to share lessons for sustainable development and for education for sustainable development (ESD). This theme builds on the last two conference themes: *Actions towards sustainable futures* (Swaziland, 26th EEASA,

2008) and *DESD: where are we?* (Botswana, 27th EEASA, 2009). The UNESCO World Conference on Education for Sustainable Development held in Bonn, Germany from 30th March to 2nd April 2009 agreed on the Bonn Declaration on 'A call for action'. The UNESCO Global Monitoring and Evaluation Progress Report for 2011 will focus on "*Processes and Learning for Sustainable Development*". It is thus fitting that the 28th EEASA Conference in 2010 shall focus on: "*Decade of Education for Sustainable Development: Lessons and Processes for a Sustainable World*" whereby participants and delegates shall reflect upon their EE/ESD research and development projects in terms of "processes and learning" for sustainable development. The guiding question is: What lessons are we learning and what processes are we engaged in to realise a sustainable world?

Objectives of EEASA 2010

The Conference shall pursue the following objectives.

- i) To review current policies and regulatory frameworks and instruments for curriculum, teaching, research, and sustainable management and utilisation of resources in the region.
- ii) To share experiences and to reflect upon what researchers and practitioners across the SADC region are doing in response to the pressing sustainability issues of the region.
- iii) To share experiences and draw lessons from the key sectors of industry, energy, agriculture and food security, water, health, and others, for building sustainable societies in the region.
- iv) To highlight local and national environmental challenges and initiatives to research and mitigate these challenges.
- v) To provide examples of good EE/ESD practices for inclusion in the 2nd DESD global monitoring and evaluation report.

Sub-themes of the Conference

This regional conference will focus on sub-themes that reflect the most pressing sustainability issues in the region including what lessons to learn about dealing with the prevalence of poverty and vulnerability in the region. This poverty and vulnerability is worsened by global warming, climate change, the global economic crisis, and poor health worsened by poverty and the scourge of new viral diseases including HIV-AIDS, bird flu, and swine flu. What lessons are we learning and what processes are we engaged in to address these threats to our very existence as a human race? This requires us to reflect upon completed, ongoing, and proposed EE/ESD projects to draw lessons for a sustainable world around the main theme and its ten (10) sub-themes. EEASA 2010 shall tackle the theme and the sub-themes from the perspective of educators, practitioners, and researchers working in formal, informal, and non-formal sectors of education and development. The theme and the sub-themes shall be interrogated taking into account lessons and experiences in *all forms and levels of education* including early childhood, basic education, and tertiary and higher education.

1. *ESD and Climate Change*

[To include climate change education]

2. *Sustainable Management and Utilisation of Natural Resources*

[To include issues of indigenous knowledge system based practices, cultural diversity, and cultural heritage as they relate to sustainable management and utilisation of natural resources]

3. *ESD and Industry and Business, Poverty and Vulnerability*

[To include industrial ecology and relationship between industry and environment; entrepreneurship and sustainable development]

4. *ESD and Energy in the Region*

[To include energy budgets and their management, clean energy technologies, wind and solar]

5. *Health and Sustainable Development*

[To include modern viral diseases: HIV-AIDS, bird and swine flu; human habitats and settlements, sanitation, and waste management]

6. *Media and Information Communication Technologies and Sustainable Development*

[To include open, distance, and e-learning and sustainable development; cultural diversity and intercultural dialogue issues as they relate to sustainable development practices and values]

7. *Governance and Sustainable Development*

[To include issues of democracy, human rights, peace, and governance and sustainable development]

8. *ESD, Agriculture and Food Security*

[To include issues of indigenous knowledge system based agricultural practices for food security, cultural diversity, and cultural heritage; arid, wet, and marine environments and sustainable development]

9. *ESD and Teacher Education*

[To include the responses in teacher education to integrate and mainstream ESD principles and practices into teaching; research; networking and communities of practice; community development and service learning]

10. *ESD and Research, Monitoring and Evaluation*

[To include research and evaluation paradigms and perspectives in ESD; monitoring EE/ESD projects and programmes]

Call for papers

The EEASA 2010 conference programme shall consist of oral paper presentations poster sessions, workshops, and excursions all with their focus on EE/ESD to address the challenges for countries in the SADC Region. In order to ensure that conference papers, posters and workshops are correctly assessed and placed in the Conference Programme and Proceedings, they must clearly address one of the above 10 sub-themes.

Submission of abstracts

Submission of abstracts shall begin in November 2009 and remain open until 26th March 2010. Abstracts must clearly indicate the name of authors/presenters, institution, contact details including e-mail address, title of presentation, and sub-theme addressed. Abstracts must provide a brief description of the paper, poster or workshop in no more than 250 words. Abstracts in soft-copy must be submitted to eeasa2010@cbu.ac.zm by **26th March 2010** end of business. This is a revised final date. Authors/presenters shall get confirmation of acceptance of abstracts by 19th April 2010.

Submission of Papers

Upon acceptance of the abstracts, authors/presenters shall prepare and submit full papers **by 11 June 2010**. Submission will be the first confirmation of participation. Papers are limited to a maximum of 10 pages on A4 paper size (including figures, tables, and references). All papers must be 1.5 line spaced using Times New Roman font size 12. Left/right and bottom/top margins must be 25 mm.

About the host University

The Copperbelt University is the 2nd largest public University in Zambia with a student body approaching 6000. Its academic niche is in the business, science, and technology disciplines. The University is comprised of six Schools and the Directorate for Open and Distance Education: the School of Business, the School of the Built Environment, the School of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, the School of Natural Resources, the School of Technology, and the School of Graduate Studies. The CBU is a member of the SADC Higher Education Research Network exploring ESD and Quality and Relevance of Education and the Mainstreaming Environment and Sustainability into African Universities Partnerships. It is a member of the Zambia Network of Environmental Educators and Practitioners (ZANEPP).

Registration for the Conference

The Organising Committee has tried to keep the Conference fees affordable for EEASA members. Registration for the Conference includes one year membership subscription to EEASA and the Conference Package. The conference package shall include a conference bag with stationery and information, lunches, two teas, welcome cocktail party on the Monday, EEASA birthday dinner on the Thursday, and social events and one Excursion.

The University shall provide limited hostel type accommodation and bedding on a first-come-first-served basis. For these staying in hostel accommodation, registration includes dinners (from Sunday) and breakfast (Monday-Friday).

Invoices may be requested by e-mailing: eeasa2010@cbu.ac.zm.

Early bird registration rate

Fee is \$250 with hostel-type accommodation/\$175 with own accommodation by 31 March 2010.

On time registration rate

Fee is \$275 with hostel-type accommodation/\$200 with own accommodation by 30 June 2010.

Late registration rate

Fee is \$300 with hostel-type accommodation/\$225 with own accommodation by 20 August 2010.

Registration rate at the Conference

Fee is \$325 with hostel-type accommodation/\$250 with own accommodation by 20 August 2010.

Special on-time rate for local participants

Local participants may pay the special Kwacha rate applicable up to 30th June 2010. Fee is ZMK1,175,000 with hostel-type accommodation/ZMK800,000 with own accommodation by 30 June 2010.

Exhibit stands

Individuals and organisations shall have opportunities to mount exhibit stands for the duration of the Conference. Display space and stands are available on a first-come-first payer basis at the rate of \$250/stand. A stand is approximately 4m².

Payment methods and banking Details

While the conference registration rates are quoted in US dollars the national currency in Zambia is quoted in *Kwacha*. The equivalent *Kwacha* applicable at the time of registration shall be accepted for payment of registration fees. All monies shall be paid into the bank account of the Copperbelt University; the Secretariat does not handle conference cash. Participants must present proof of deposit to confirm their registration.

Account Name:	<i>EEASA 2010, Copperbelt University</i>
Bank Name:	<i>Indo-Zambia Bank</i>
Account No.:	<i>0080041007001</i>
Bank Address:	<i>P.O. Box 20500</i>
City & Country:	<i>Kitwe, Zambia</i>
SWIFT Code:	<i>INZAZMLX</i>
Branch Code:	<i>090208</i>
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Programme Confirmation

Those presenting papers, posters, and workshops must confirm their participation for inclusion in the final programme and the proceedings. The first draft of the Conference Programme shall be circulated by 16th July 2010. The final draft shall be available by 20th August 2010. This final draft shall be the one followed at the Conference. Authors/presenters must inform the Organisers if for unforeseeable reasons they are not able to attend the conference.

Social event and Excursions (These are to be confirmed, please check website)

Zambia is rich in cultural traditions that include music and dance. It is planned to have one social event at which some cultural groups will entertain the delegates. The Copperbelt University is in the mining city of Kitwe in the heart of the Zambian Copperbelt. Its industrial base provides a host of unique economic, social, and environmental challenges. Kitwe and the Copperbelt provide a good setting for learning and reflecting upon sustainable development and its challenges. Excursions shall be arranged to a number of places and sites within an 80km radius that may include visits to Open Pit Mines, Copper Smelting and Refinery Plants, a Museum, Zoo, Wildlife Park, Bird Sanctuary, etc.

Travel and access to the Venue

The Copperbelt University and the city of Kitwe are easily accessible and connected to other major cities. Kitwe is connected by dual carriageway to Ndola International Airport (45 minutes). Kitwe also has the Southdowns Airport for domestic services. Lusaka, the capital, is accessible by wide-tar road (4-5 hours) and by air daily (30-45 minutes). Transport shall be availed for foreign Conference delegates who confirm their arrival and departure from Ndola and Kitwe Airports with their registration.

In addition to hostel type accommodation to be provided in the student hostels, off-campus accommodation (hotel, lodges, and guest houses) costing anywhere from \$50 per night BB is available in the city and suburbs near the University. The organisers shall provide the details of the Kitwe City Council licensed establishments and the negotiated rates for the Conference.

The Copperbelt weather in September is steaming hot! Light clothing is recommended. Mosquitoes are a nuisance in spite of the various control programmes. Delegates are reminded to take anti-malaria measures. Remember to check immigration requirements, especially if you should require a Visa before departure from the home country.

Conference inquiries

Inquiries concerning the Conference may be directed to the Organising Committee or its sub-Committee Chairpersons through the Conference Secretariat at eeasa2010@cbu.ac.zm or by postal address at: *EEASA 2010 Secretariat, Copperbelt University, Jambo Drive, Riverside P.O. Box 21692, Kitwe, Zambia*. Specific inquiries may be directed for the attention of the following members of the Organising Committee.

- Chairperson, Conference Organising Committee [Prof. Overson Shumba, oshumba@yahoo.co.uk, +260976573414]
- Conference Accommodation Logistics [Mrs. Patricia Chinyanta, pchinyanta@cbu.ac.zm, +260966780298]
- Conference Papers and Programme [Mr. Felix Kalaba, kanungwe@gmail.com, +260977854947]

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