

GLOBAL RESPONSIBILITY IN RESEARCH AND EDUCATION –

Practices in Partnerships and Daily Activities

September 15-17, 2010

University of Eastern Finland, Kuopio Campus, Finland

Forum organized by
the University of Eastern Finland and the Savonia University of Applied Sciences

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The University of Eastern Finland and the Savonia University of Applied Sciences are pleased to invite you to attend the Forum on Global Responsibility in Research and Education, which will take place on September 15-17, 2010 at the Kuopio Campus of the University of Eastern Finland. The Forum activities will be video conferenced to the Joensuu and Savonlinna Campuses of the University of Eastern Finland and to the Kuopio, Iisalmi and Varkaus Campuses of the Savonia University of Applied Sciences. On a separate agreement, the Forum activities may also be video conferenced to other organizations.

Education and especially research-based higher education are important ways towards better practices for making this globe more sustainable and spreading the idea of global responsibility. Through the keynote presentations, parallel sessions and poster presentations, academics from different scientific fields will have the opportunity to discuss the dimensions and underpinnings of sustainable development and global responsibility in environmental, economic and socio-cultural aspects.

The aims and objectives of the Forum are:

- to bring together scientists, scholars, teachers, students and pupils who are interested in global responsibility, internationalization and sustainable development,
- to help them better promote sustainable development in scientific research and higher education
- to support the capacity building of higher education partners in the developing world (Eastern Finland universities and their partner higher education actors especially in Africa)
- to build networks
- to disseminate information and best practices and to produce sustainable development and global responsibility material for web sites
- to increase the participation of staff and students, and to promote the empowerment of citizens
- to increase mutual understanding and awareness of multiculturalism.

The Forum language is English, on Friday both English and Finnish.

The Forum is organized by the University of Eastern Finland and the Savonia University of Applied Sciences. The main venue of the forum is located at the Kuopio Campus of the University of Eastern Finland. Kuopio is situated in central Finland, in the verdant province of North Savo, which is interspersed with thousands of lakes. Kuopio can be reached in less than an hour by air from Helsinki, the capital of Finland, and by road or rail the journey takes some four-five hours. There is also a train connection from Turku harbor. The Forum programme will be video conferenced from the Kuopio Campus to various partners.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Deadlines

- ✓ **Abstracts for paper and poster presentations: March 31, 2010**
- ✓ **Notification of authors: April 20, 2010**
- ✓ **Confirmation of participation for authors: June 7, 2010**
- ✓ **Camera-ready papers: July 31, 2010**
- ✓ **Registration deadline: August 16, 2010.**

We invite contributions from different scientific fields addressing environmental, economic and socio-cultural aspects of sustainable development and global responsibility.

Two types of contributions are accepted: regular papers and posters. Contributors are invited to submit an abstract of a maximum of 150 words **by March 31, 2010**. This concerns both types of contributions: paper and poster presentations. Proposals received after this date will not be considered.

All papers must be in English.

We hope to receive a wide range of submissions, from among which the scientific committee will select the papers that will be presented in the Forum either as oral or poster presentations. The review process is managed and monitored by the Forum Scientific Board.

The authors will be notified **by April 20, 2010**. All accepted submissions are expected to be presented at the conference by one of the authors, which requires registration for the conference. Authors have to confirm their participation **by June 7, 2010**. The deadline for camera-ready papers and posters is **July 31, 2010**. The papers should not contain more than eight pages including the results, figures and references. More guidelines will be given later. Accepted submissions will be published electronically in the University of Eastern Finland publication series after the Forum.



GUIDELINES FOR ABSTRACTS

Please mark whether you would like to give your presentation as

	Oral presentation
	Poster presentation

There will be four parallel sessions with the following themes. Please mark for which session you are submitting:

	Sustainable agriculture and forestry
	Better health in better environment
	Using technologies for development
	Equal opportunities in empowerment

You are also requested to send in the following information:

- (1) Title, author name(s), full postal and e-mail addresses for each author.
- (2) Abstract: no more than 150 words briefly specifying the aims of the work, the main results obtained, and the conclusions drawn.
- (3) Keywords: 3–6 keywords (in alphabetical order) which will enable a subsequent information retrieval system to locate the paper.
- (4) A short biography of a maximum of 75 words and photo of the authors.

Please send in the requested information as an email attachment (a PDF or Word file) by 1st March, 2010 to the address: grforum@uef.fi

REGISTRATION

- ✓ **Registration will be opened at the beginning of May.**
- ✓ **Confirmation of participation for authors, deadline June 7, 2010.**
- ✓ **Deadline for registration for other delegates: August 16, 2010.**

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Participation in the Forum is free of charge.

FURTHER INFORMATION

The Forum website is available at <http://webd.savonia.fi/grcongress/>

For further information on the Forum, please contact the Forum Office, grforum@uef.fi

PROGRAMME - DRAFT

Wednesday, September 15

- 16:00 – 18:30 *Registration and forum office hours*
- 17:30 – 18:30 Opening Ceremony
- Welcoming words
- Opening Plenary Keynote
- 19:00 – 20:30 Welcome Reception
- Free for all delegates and guests

Thursday, September 16

Global responsibility in research

- 8:30 – 17:00 *Registration and forum office hours*
- 8:30 Poster exhibition is opened
- 9:15 – 10:00 Plenary Keynote
Dr. Andrew Cherry
- 10:15 – 12:15 Parallel Sessions
Session 1: Sustainable agriculture and forestry
Session 2: Better health in better environment
- 12:15 – 13:15 Lunch break
- 13:15 – 14:00 Plenary Keynote
Dr. Pauliina Kainulainen
- 14:00 – 15:00 Poster exhibition
- Coffee break
- 15:00 – 17:00 Parallel Sessions
Session 3: Using technologies for development
Session 4: Equal opportunities in empowerment
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- 19:00 Buffet

Friday, September 17

Sustainable development forum of Higher Education Institutes

8:30 – 16:00 *Registration and seminar office hours*

8:30 Poster exhibition is opened

9:00 – 9:45 Keynote
Secretary General, Dr. Liisa Rohweder, WWF Finland

9:45 – 11:15 Sustainable development forum of Higher Education Institutes

11:15 – 12: 30 Poster exhibition

Lunch break

12:30 – 14:00 Sustainable development forum of Higher Education Institutes

14:00 – 15:00 Poster exhibition

Coffee break

15:00 – 16:00 Panel discussion: Next steps – how to improve sustainable development and global responsibility activities