

International Workshop on

Living Spaces under Changing Climate and Environment

Date: 7-9 Nov. 2016

Venue: NEHU, Meghalaya, India

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<Living Spaces>

How do we address questions that arise from current intrinsic issues of humanity? All these issues are clearly in interactions with changing environmental factors.

--- Where do we live? ---

Here we focus on '*living spaces*', geographical regions or locations where *florae, faunae, and humanity* live. Where do they live? How do they form their pattern of living spaces? Where will they migrate? Exploring these questions may lead us to new approaches to understand different aspects of issues faced by humanity.

Life on this planet exists in '*living spaces*' under interactions among florae, faunae, and humanity, and with ambient environmental factors such as climate, geosphere, eco-systems, geographical settings, and society.

North Eastern Hill University this workshop will be held is situated in a mountainous region in the Meghalaya Plateau of India. Mountain life has special aspects that are attributable to topographic features. Further, the Meghalaya Plateau ('Meghalaya' means 'home of clouds') is home to the wettest place in the world, Cherrapunjee (Sohra), world record holder of annual rainfall (>26000mm). Rainfall is a key factor that defines an environment in which life exists. We will also focus on the climate change and its impact on the variation of rainfall characteristics.

So, we propose the following key words / key concepts for our workshop.

Keywords: living spaces; flora; fauna; climate change; geosphere; hydrosphere; culture; adaptation; population dynamics; historical demography; disaster; bio-hazards; food; agriculture; water resource; welfare and livelihood; geo-park; green tourism; natural resources; industry; transportation; mountain life; monsoons; historical data rescue; rainfall and cloud; cloud burst

We would like to invite colleagues to submit papers on research topics relevant to the themes of the workshop and the keywords listed above. We look very much forward to your participation.

<Abstract Submission>

Proposals for papers should include: i) title of paper, ii) author(s), and iii) abstract (less than 300 words) and should be submitted to: icedds-rc@cc.kagawa-u.ac.jp no later than **30 September 2016**.

<Workshop Details>

Workshop Program

Inaugural session

Keynote Address by Prof. Satoshi Murayama (Kagawa Univ)

Invited presentations:

Dr. Sayeedul Islam Khan (Chairman, GRAM Bangla)

Prof. Abani Kumar Bhagabati (Dept. of Geography, Gauhati Univ.)

Sessions (6 sessions are expected):

3 presenters (30min) + 1 discussant (10min)

Excursion:

Scientific tourism, exchanging with local people

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Inaugural session, sessions 1-6, overnight excursion to Cherrapunjee (Sohra)

Venue:

North Eastern Hill University (NEHU)

Entry Fee:

1000 INR (*per participant*)

+ Excursion Fee (Food and Lodging)

Deadlines:

Registration: 30 Sep.

Presentation title: 30 Sep.

Abstract: 18 Oct.

Paper publications:

Extended abstract with peer-review

Geo-communication (journal of ICEDS / web-based publication)

Deadline: 11 Jan. 2017

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