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Nineteenth International Forestry and Environment Symposium 2014

The 19th International Forestry and Environmental Symposium will be held on 24th & 25th October 2014 at Aliya Resort and Spa, Sigiriya with the participation of Hon. Susil Premajyantha, Minister of Environment and Renewable Energy as the Chief Guest.

This symposium is organized by Department of Forestry and Environmental Science, University of Sri Jayewardenepura in collaboration with Ministry of Environment and Renewable Energy. Main partners of this symposium are Geological Survey and Mines Bureau, National Gem and Jewellery Authority, State Timber Corporation, Sadaharitha Plantations Limited, Control Union Inspection (pvt) Ltd, Forest Department and Central Environmental Authority.

Department of Forestry and Environmental Science, University of Sri Jayewardenepura is organizing this International Forestry and Environment Symposium since 1995. Distinguished as the oldest and most renowned Forestry and Environment Symposium in South Asia, the International Forestry and Environment Symposium is the premier event where researchers, academia, professionals, policy makers, and the industry meet to network, discuss and learn about the latest developments in forestry and environment sectors. This year, the Symposium stretches under the main theme of “**Challenges and Solutions in Forest and Environmental Management**”, and organized under 10 sessions. As usual, we have received over 200 new scientific research papers, and out of these 111 papers and 26 Posters and 6 Concept papers are selected after reviewed by Subject experts in the relevant filed for presentation at this two day symposium. Around 250-300 local and foreign participants including key government officials, academics, researchers and business leaders in Forestry and Environment Sectors will attend this 2-day event.

Key Note address on “Learning to live in Finite world: Ethics and Spirituality for the Environmental Crisis” will be delivered by Professor Peter Timmerman, Faculty of Environmental Studies, York University, Toronto, Canada.

The papers are presented in following subject themes: Waste Management, Forest Management & Timber Utilization, Biodiversity Conservation & Management, Pollution Control, Mining, Rocks and Gems, Sustainable Energy & Tourism, Climate Change & Environmental Education, Socio Economic Aspects in Environment Management, Marine Environment Pollution and Management and Natural Resource Management.

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We would appreciate if you could provide us the media coverage for this event.

Thanking you,

Sincerely,

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PS: Please also find the abstracts of some selected papers and list of papers.

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