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Regional Carbon Budgets: from methodologies to quantification

Beijing, China

15-18 November 2004

Logistics

Key Deadlines

October 9th, 2004:

Indicate the nights of accommodation you need at the Beijing Continental Grand Hotel.
For participants covered by the organization, funds will be provided to cover the nights of November 14-18, inclusive.

November 1st, 2004:

Send your flight information so that we can ensure you will be picked up at the airport.
Indicate if you will join any of the tours on November 19th.

Send all the information to Shaoqiang Wang at sqwang@igsnrr.ac.cn

Host Institution

Institute of Geographical Sciences and Natural Resources, Chinese Academy of Sciences

Workshop Date

15-18 November 2004

The workshop will start at 9:00 am on Monday, November 15th, and end at 4:30 pm on Thursday, November 18th. The Agenda will be available shortly.

Poster Session

The workshop will have about 70 participants but only 20 oral presentations have been scheduled to allow for ample time for discussion and to focus on the workshop products. Therefore, we are planning to have several poster sessions and we invite you to contribute with one poster. This will ensure everyone has a chance to show and discuss his/her work on regional C budgets. Poster boards will be 90 cm (W) x 120 cm (H).

After Workshop Tours

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There will be two tours, one in the morning and another in the afternoon. If your departure is in the afternoon you can take the morning tour and you will be returned to your hotel where a shuttle or taxi will take you to the airport. If you are planning to stay during the 19th, you are invited to take both tours. The tours will be covered by the organization.

Morning Tour: The Forbidden City, Nov. 19th morning

Afternoon Tour: The Great Wall and Emperors Tombs, Nov. 19th afternoon

Please indicate whether you will take any of the tours.

Workshop Venue

Institute of Geographic Sciences and Natural Resources Research (IGSNRR), Beijing, China

There will be a shuttle everyday to transfer participants from the hotel to the IGSNRR.

Arriving in Beijing

Please, let us know your flight details by November 1st and we will pick you up at the airport. Otherwise, take a taxi (red taxis) to the Beijing Continental Grand Hotel where accommodation has been booked for you.

Accommodation

Beijing Continental Grand Hotel is located in scenic Asian Games Village. The four-star hotel has successfully hosted some significant domestic and international events such as the 11th Asian Games, Inter-Parliamentary Conference and the Fourth UN World Conference on Women.

20 km from Capital Airport to the east
9 km from Tian'anmen Square to the south



Address: 8 Bei Chen Dong St., North Sihuan Road An Ding Men Wai, Beijing, China

Post Code: 100004

Tel: 86-10-84985588

Below you will find the hotel name and address in Chinese in case you get in trouble.

北京五洲大酒店

地址：北京市安定门外北四环北辰东路8号

电话：84985588

Climate

The climate in Beijing is of the continental type, with cold and dry winters, due to the Siberian air masses that move southward across the Mongolian Plateau. The summers are hot owing to warm and humid monsoon winds from the southeast bringing Beijing most of its annual precipitation. Average temperatures for November are 10° C max. and -1° C for the minimum. Precipitation around 7.5 mm.

Clothing

There is not a dress code for the workshop, opening ceremony, reception or banquet. You may want to bring a good coat in case the temperatures at the low end, and walking shoes for the tours.

Currency and Exchange Rate

The unit of currency is Chinese Ren Min Bi (RMB). The currency exchange rate is subject to daily fluctuations and is trading at around RMB 8.21 per 1 US\$. Foreign currency and travellers cheques can be converted into Chinese RMB at most banks. Major credit cards are accepted at most large hotels (including our hotel) and department stores.

Time Difference

China is located in the region of +8 hours in relation to Greenwich Mean Time.

Electricity

The standard electricity supply is 220 volts AC/60 cycles. Please check the power supply before using any electronic equipment. Power points have two round pins or three flat pins.

Local Contact

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Institute of Geographical Sciences and Natural Resources

The establishment of the Institute of Geographical Sciences and Natural Resources Research (IGSNRR) in 1999 was based on the merging of two previously existing Institutes in CAS, namely the Institute of Geography (IOG) and the Commission for Integrated Survey of Natural Resources (CISNAR). In order to build up a national innovation system, the IOG & CISNAR were selected as a part of the pilot project to speed up CAS's innovation progress.

The Institute is a multi-disciplinary research organization at the national level. As an important research base for the studies of natural resources and environment, as well as geographical, resource and information sciences in China, it has a certain reputation in these relevant fields of the world. Now, the major objectives of the Institute are focused on the studies of the dynamics of terrestrial surface and its reaction to global changes, regional resources and environment, mechanism and changing pattern of man-land system, regional sustainable development and resource economies, ecosystem and its network, as well as geo-information sciences. The Institute consists of 2 research centers, 2 research departments, 1 national key laboratory, 1 CAS's open experimental station, 3 institutional open research laboratories, 1 information center for resources & environment and 1 GIS industrialization center.

It has 529 staff members, and among them 307 are scientific researchers, over 77% of the senior researchers have got Ph.D and Master degrees, including 10 academicians of CAS and CES (the Chinese Academy of Engineering), 55 professors, 20 senior associate professors and 82 associate professors. In addition, the Institute boasts that there are 5 researchers owned the awards of either "A CAS's Founding Project for Hundred Young Scientists" or "The National Founding for Outstanding Young Scientists."

The Institute has its own postdoctoral research programs, power to confer Ph.D. degree in both geographical and ecological studies, and to confer Master's degree in physical geography, human geography, ecology, cartography and geo-information, meteorology and environmental science. There are now 58 Ph.D. student supervisors and 38 post doctoral researchers, 174 Ph.D. students as well as 67.

Focusing on coordinated development of the national population, resources, environment and economy, and targeting at meeting the needs of the country for resources and environment securities, ecological reconstruction and regional sustainable development, the institute devotes itself to the studies on resources sustainable utilization, environmental renovation, regional sustainable development, optimized management of ecosystem, geo-information and data integration as well as its sharing system in order to solve the key issues which the country has faced to implement its sustainable development strategy, so as to provide a scientific basis for the governments' policy making.