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The Ninth Global Conference on Environmental Taxation

Thursday 6 November to Friday 7 November 2008

**“Environmental Taxation and Challenges of the Urban Environment:
Exchange of Experiences between Developed and Developing Countries”**

Call for Papers

The 9th Global Conference on Environmental Taxation will be hosted by the Asia-Pacific Centre for Environmental Law (APCEL), Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore (NUS). Other partners include the Centre on Asia and Globalisation at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, NUS; the Association of Chartered and Certified Accountants in Singapore (ACCA), the IUCN Academy of Environmental Law, and the International Tax and Investment Centre (ITIC) in Washington DC, USA.

The conference will focus on the special problems of the urban environment and the challenges which confront cities and megacities. Issues to be examined include energy generation and consumption, transportation, pollution, population growth, housing, urban development and public health. The role and efficacy of fiscal policies and market-based instruments will be evaluated, particularly from the perspectives of developed and developing countries. The conference aims to create a venue for discussions and the sharing of experiences on the use of fiscal instruments to guide policy makers toward ensuring the sustainability of urban environments in the wake of rapid industrialization, depleting natural resources, continued population growth, and climate change.

This annual series of conferences provides a global forum for the exchange of ideas, information and research findings on environmental taxation and economic instruments across international boundaries and professional disciplines. It has become one of the largest annual international gatherings of academic scholars, government officials, practitioners, NGOs and others from many disciplines, to discuss how fiscal and other economic instruments can help create a sustainable economy. Selected papers presented at the conferences are published in *Critical Issues in Environmental Taxation*, a series of refereed books published by Oxford University Press.

Please send abstracts of papers / inquiries by email to Assoc Prof LYE Lin Heng, at lawlyelh@nus.edu.sg, with a copy to lawbox10@nus.edu.sg

Abstracts should not exceed 350 words and must be received no later than **May 31, 2008** to be considered. They should contain a short biography and contact information. Writers will be informed by **June 30, 2008** if their papers have been selected for presentation. Successful applicants must provide a draft copy of their papers by **15 October 2008**. Presenters will have the opportunity to submit their final papers for consideration towards publication.

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