



6th African Rift Geothermal Conference (ARGeo-C6)

Geothermal: Solution to Africa's Energy needs

31st Oct to 6th Nov 2016, United Nations Conference Center (UNCC-AA), Addis Ababa Ethiopia

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

The Government of Ethiopia takes the pleasure to host and organize the Sixth African Rift Geothermal Conference (ARGeo-C6) in collaboration with United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and African Union Commission (AUC). The conference is sponsored by Icelandic International Development Agency (ICEIDA), KfW, BGR and other support partners. It is being organized under the auspices of the UNEP-ARGeo Programme as one of its biennial geothermal conferences.

The conference will be held at UNCC, Addis Ababa- Ethiopia, from 31st Oct to 6th Nov 2016. The main conference will be held from 2nd – 4th November, 2016. Parallel Geothermal Pre-Conference Short Courses will be held on 31st October to 1st November 2016. Post conference field trips to Ethiopian geothermal prospects will be held on 5-6 November 2016.

The five previous biennial conferences were held in Ethiopia (2006), Uganda (2008), Djibouti (2010), Kenya (2012) and Tanzania (2014).

The aim of this biennial conference is to promote regional cooperation, create an information exchange platform on the exploration, development, investment and utilization of the geothermal resources in the region and elsewhere in the world.

TOPICS OF THE CONFERENCE:

- Vision and strategy for geothermal power development
- Financing geothermal projects
- Environmental, health, safety & social factors in geothermal development.
- Capacity Buildings
- Case studies – any aspect of geothermal development
- Exploration methods- geology, geochemistry, geochimistry, geophysics, heat flow.
- Drilling technology
- Reservoir Engineering
- New geothermal technologies, research papers and innovations
- Geothermal utilization.
- Development of Financial institutions.



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

UNCC-AA is a fully integrated and secured complex with state-of-the-art facilities catering for all kinds of meetings, big or small. With its large meeting rooms, exhibition space, advanced audio-visual equipment, video editing suites, radio-broadcasting studio, well-equipped business centre, high-speed wireless internet connections and catering services, UNCC-AA is the right choice for conference organizers.

In addition, Ethiopia benefits from a healthy mountain climate and warm sunshine. Addis Ababa sits in the centre of international communication networks, with air links to about 100 cities worldwide.



CALL FOR SPONSORS/EXHIBITORS

The ARGeo-C6 conference provides an excellent opportunity to national, regional and international exhibitors ranging from independent power producers, business fraternity, development partners, government institutions, manufacturers and individuals to showcase their technology and products/services.

The geothermal conference will also provide great business opportunities.

Pre-Conference Training: 31 Oct- 1 Nov 2016.

Parallel short courses are planned to take place prior to the main conference.

Post-Conference Field Trips to Ethiopian geothermal prospects be held on 5-6 Nov 2016

NOTES

- Addis Ababa is the capital city of Ethiopia. As a chartered city, Addis Ababa has the status of both a city and a state. It is where the African Union and its predecessor the OAU are based. It also hosts the headquarters of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) and numerous other continental and international organizations. Addis Ababa is therefore often referred to as "the political capital of Africa" due to its historical, diplomatic and political significance for the continent



ABOUT THE VENUE

Lying in the heart of the Ethiopian capital, Addis Ababa, also known as the capital city of Africa, the United Nations Conference Centre (UNCC-AA) combines architectural elegance with the very latest technology and sheer practicality to offer the ideal venue for all your meetings and conferences.

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