

**International Green Cross
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Environmental Congress of Russia**

XVI International conference

«EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT»

Russia, Moscow, 25-26 of June 2010.

Green Cross is inviting you to participate in the XVI International conference «**Education for sustainable development**», which will be held on the 25-26th of June 2010.

Each year our perception of sustainable development is changing as enriching, new approaches are designed. In general:

- The actuality of the concept of sustainable development has grown, its further synthesis;
- The unambiguous connection between all the economical crisis' has been established with the characteristic of the unstable world development

Prioritised tasks in the area of the sustainable development are the following:

- Development of the legal base;
- Effective increase of the state society institution;
- Social harmony support on global and regional levels;
- Formation of the culture of sustainable development;
- Promotion of tolerance and mutual understanding in the different regions of the world;
- Appropriate modernisation of the education system;
- Development of high technologies and alternative sources of energy;

And other aims and targets.

It is widely recognised, that the key to transitioning to sustainable development is education. Education is able to form a new system of values and a new outlook can lead to harmony in the world and prosperity.

During previous conferences methodology was discussed along with the contents of education for sustainable development, effectiveness indicators and methodical problems. A huge interest has been expressed by teachers not only towards learning the practical experience of other teachers, but also towards the innovative and educational technologies and the all-round activity of the social ecological organisations.

Each country has unique features (territorial, natural, resources, political, economical and cultural), which determine the specifics of its educational system.

And at the same time for the majority of countries general problems in this area are remaining unsolved and thus need to be discussed and resolved.

For example, it is possible to consider common to all mankind, reflection in the formation of problems of the co-ordinated development of a society, economy and biosphere; the problems connected with people residing in large cities, in the remote regions or in ecologically unfavourable territories. Also important are the problems of ecological safety, health protection of children, water purity, power efficiency and preservation of a natural heritage.

The purpose of the forthcoming conference is to estimate the progress reached during Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (ESD), to carry out the analysis of existing problems in ESD and factors influencing it and to define ways of increasing the efficiency of ESD.

The conference will consist of plenary sessions, sections, roundtables and bench session is planned.

Sections

- 1. *New facets of formation for a sustainable development*** (N.M.Mamedov, N.N. Marfenin)
- 2. *Ecological safety in the conditions of a city*** (V.C Petrosjan)
- 3. *The quality of the environment and health of a human being*** (V.M.Nazarenko, M.Vitagliano)
- 4. *Nature protection practical activities for youth*** (A.F. Fedorov, G.A.Gorbunova)

Round tables

- 1. *«Smart energy» and problems of education*** (A.N.Chumakov, O.N. Senova)
- 2. *Education in the area of a sustainable water consumption*** (E.S. Kolpakova)
- 3. *Educational activity in especially protected natural territories*** (Danilina N.R., Zimenko A.V.)
- 4. *Ecological measurements of an agricultural production*** (E.A. Galaeva)

Final program of the conference will be developed by a program committee on the base of your notices. Program committee sets the form of every report of conference by itself.

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The Conference Venue – Moscow

Official Languages – Russian and English (for foreign participants we organize synchronous translation in the English language).

The term of thesis representation – **20 March 2010** (by stamp on the envelope or date of e-mailing).

An official personal invitation to the conference and the second information report with the preliminary programme will be sent **before 20 May 2010** (After the approval of thesis by Program Committee).

Organizational Fee (includes the expenses for preparation of the conference, working materials and banquet) is **1000** roubles. The payment via bank transfer (the current account will be specified in the second information report).

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Representation of Materials for Participation in the Conference

To take part in the conference one should represent to the Programme Committee the thesis of reports and attendance request.

The materials are represented in the Russian language (for foreign participants – in the Russian or in the English languages), on the paper of A4 format with the margins: upper – 15 mm, lower – 15 mm, left – 20 mm, right – 15 mm. The style is usual, the face is Times New Roman Cyr., type 12, feed pitch is 1, outline is usual, an adjustment is by the left side, the pages should have no numbers.

Thesis Execution. The participation in the work of the conference is based on the principle “one report – one speaker”. In case of co-authorship firstly they put the name and the surname of the supposed speaker, at whose name they fill the request and send an invitation to the conference (in case of thesis acceptance by the Programme Committee). The rest co-authors can take part in the work of the conference under general conditions.

Section and stand messages are accepted up to 2 pages, plenary reports (**only at coordination with the Programme Committee**) - up to 10 pages. The volume of thesis includes given by the author tables, pictures and the list of literature. The headline execution: topic of the report – with capital letters, the next line – the author’s (co-authors’) name and surname, the next line – a complete name of organization, city/town, country (for foreign participants). After the texts of thesis one can write contact information (mail address, telephone number and e-mail).

Tables and other graphic material should be done as pictures (jpg format).

The reception of materials by e-mail will be confirmed by the Programme committee.

The represented materials executed without following the form as well as sent by fax are not accepted to their consideration.

The organizing committee reserves the right to reject the materials in case of their discrepancy to the conference subject and basic requirements to execution.