



13TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES

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Call For Abstracts

The introduction of nonindigenous aquatic species is an ongoing problem that is increasing in frequency. Although the zebra mussel is perhaps the most widely known aquatic invader, there are many other nonindigenous invertebrates, fish and plants that are causing significant damage to freshwater and coastal ecosystems, and to the economies that depend upon them.

The Institute of Technology, Sligo is the host sponsor of the 13th International Conference on Aquatic Invasive Species. This annual four-day conference is widely considered the most comprehensive international forum for the review of accumulated scientific knowledge on the impacts of aquatic invasive species, presentation of the latest field research and data, new technologies or advancements in control and mitigation, discussion of policy and approaches to effective public education and outreach initiatives to prevent new introductions.

Call for Abstracts

The Technical Program Committee invites the submission of 500-word abstracts of proposed presentations and posters relevant to the focus of the conference. Abstracts are to be submitted in electronic format to the Conference Administrator before December 31, 2003. Email to profedge@renc.igs.net.

Suggested Topic Areas

Policy, Legislation, Monitoring

- International cooperation and coordination
- Rapid response to new invaders
- Management and implementation plans
- Effective monitoring

Ecological and Ecosystem Impacts

- Species at risk
- Regions at risk
- Pathogen introductions and impacts
- Habitat/ecosystem changes
- Nutrient cycling
- Blue-green algal blooms

Socio-Economic Impacts

- Impacts of invasive species on human health
- Economic impacts of invasive species

Information Exchange

- Database compatibility
- Addressing data needs
- Early warning/detection techniques

Education and Outreach Initiatives

- Local monitoring initiatives
- Effective AIS education and outreach programs
- Raising awareness at the political and decision-making levels
- Volunteerism, stewardship and other grass roots initiatives

Vectors of Introduction

- Ballast water
- Hull fouling
- Aquaculture and live food-fish industry
- Water garden industry

Control Technologies for Industrial and Non-industrial Settings

- Barrier technologies
- Biological control
- Chemical control
- Non-chemical control

General Information

Conference Location

All conference technical sessions and workshops are being held at:

The Island Convention Centre
Lynch West County Hotel
Clare Road

Ennis, County Clare, Ireland

T: 065-6866691

F: 065-6828510

www.lynchotels.com

Hotel Accommodation

The Lynch West County Hotel is conveniently attached to the Island Convention Centre.

Hotel rates are Euro 138 per person per night including full Irish breakfast.

Reservations should be made directly with the hotel by calling 065-6866691. Deadline for reservations is July 31, 2004.

Conference Registration

The early conference registration deadline is May 31, 2004. Registration fees are in \$USD.

To register, please complete the form at the back of this brochure and provide payment by cheque or money order in \$USD funds payable to

AIS Conference and send to:

Conference Administrator

1027 Pembroke Street East, Suite 200

Pembroke, ON K8A 3M4 Canada

T: 800-868-8776 F: 613-732-3386

Email: profedge@renc.igs.net

Payments can be made by Visa, Mastercard and American Express. Please note that for credit cards for currencies other than \$USD, the charges will appear on your statement in the currency of the card at the applicable exchange rate at the time of the transaction.

Refund Policy

Registration fees are refundable less a \$50 administration fee provided that written notification of cancellation is provided to the Conference Administrator at the address indicated above by July 15, 2004. Refunds will not be issued until after the conference.

Information Contact:

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Registration Form

Please complete this form, enclose payment in full by cheque or money order in US funds, payable to **AIS Conference**, and send to:
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You may also pay by Visa, Mastercard, or American Express by completing the credit card payment information indicated below.

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Registration Fees

Early Registration [<i>by May 31, 2004</i>]	\$USD	Late Registration [<i>after May 31, 2004</i>]	\$USD
Speaker/Poster Presenter/Session Chair	\$300	Speaker/Poster Presenter/Session Chair	\$350
Conference Participant	\$400	Conference Participant	\$450
Full-time Student	\$150	Full-time Student	\$200
Total Enclosed	\$	Total Enclosed	\$