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WORKSHOP ON AIR POLLUTION IN THE PEARL RIVER DELTA

Experts and decision-makers in air pollution in the Pearl River Delta will share research findings and experiences in a two-day workshop to be held at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST).

Entitled “Workshop on Air Pollution in the Pearl River Delta”, the event is organised by HKUST’s Institute for Environment and Sustainable Development, as well as the University of Hong Kong, the Chinese University of Hong Kong, the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Baptist University, and the Government’s Environmental Protection Department.

Air pollution is a serious and growing problem in the Pearl River Delta. Like many other metropolitan cities, the problem is caused by the ever increasing consumption of energy due to population growth. As the local micro-meteorology is very complex, academics, governmental agencies and non-governmental organizations are working hand in hand to study and solve this problem.

This workshop, aiming to discuss the policies and research findings related to air pollution in Hong Kong and the Pearl River Delta, is the first of its kind in Hong Kong. Researchers and policy makers will share experiences and make recommendations on how the problem could be solved. The workshop will last two days with six sessions comprising more than 25 presentations. Over 100 scholars, researchers and students from Hong Kong, Macau and the Chinese Mainland are expected to attend.

Details of the Workshop are as follows:

Date: 9-10 December 1999 (Thursday and Friday)
Time: 9 am - 5:30 pm
Venue: Padma & Hari Harilela Lecture Theater (LTC), Academic Concourse
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
Clear Water Bay, Kowloon
Language: English

Note to Editors:

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