

# International Seaweed Symposium

April 28 (Sun) ~ May 3 (Fri), 2019 International Convention Center Jeju (ICC Jeju), Jeju, Korea

# "Seaweeds: From Tradition to Innovation!"

The 23<sup>rd</sup> International Seaweed Symposium will convene April 28~May 3, 2019 in Jeju Island, South Korea. The Symposium will follow the traditional program, with a mix of plenary talks, symposia devoted to particular topics, sessions of contributed papers, and poster sessions. Diverse topics of symposia and sessions will include, but not limited to taxonomy, biodiversity, ecology, climate change, genomics, seaweed aquaculture, industrialization, and cutting-edge technologies for medicine, cosmetics, and biofuel developments. The chairperson of the National Organizing Committee, Prof. Jeong Ha Kim (Sungkyunkwan University) and the committee members are more than happy to help you with any questions about the symposium.

#### • IMPORTANT DATES

Due for Mini-Symposia Application	June 30, 2018	
Mini-Symposia Acceptance Notice	July 31, 2018	
e-Abstract and e-Registration Open	September 1, 2018	
Early Bird Registration Due	December 15, 2018	
e-Abstract Submission Due	January 15, 2019	
Regular Registration Due	February 15, 2019	

#### CALL FOR MINI-SYMPOSIA

The Scientific Committee is now accepting mini-symposium proposals for the 23<sup>rd</sup> International Seaweed Symposium. Each symposium will have four speakers, possibly including organizer(s). Each symposium with two hours in length includes short introductory remarks by the organizer(s), a 20-minute talk by each speaker, and 5 minutes for questions following each talk. We anticipate having up to 16 mini-symposia.

**Proposals are due June 30, 2018.** They will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee, who will use the criteria listed below. Final decisions will be made by July 31, 2018.



# **Proposal Criteria**

- The topic should be novel, timely, and interesting to a broad range of algal researchers. Innovative approaches and analyses are encouraged.
- The topic and proposed speakers should not duplicate or substantially overlap other symposia presented at the meeting.
- The proposed list of speakers should represent a good balance between established and new investigators, have equitable representation and reflect international diversity.

# **Proposal Content**

- Name and affiliation of symposium chair/corresponding organizer.
- Symposium title and goal. Please specify the extent to which your symposium contributes an innovative and/or integrative view for algal research.
- · The basic theme or area the symposium.
- A list of the proposed speakers and a brief (200 words) summary about the symposium topic.
- A statement that specifies which of the proposed speakers have agreed to participate if your symposium is chosen.

The Scientific Committee may suggest revisions to your proposal to ensure diversity and non-duplication issues. We are working to raise funds for the conference, however, at this time we cannot promise financial support. Therefore, symposium organizers should not make commitments to speakers regarding financial support.

### Submission of Proposals

Please email your proposal by **June 30, 2018** to the secretariat of ISS 2019 at <u>abstract@iss2019.org</u> Please submit the proposal as a pdf attachment.

#### e-REGISTRATION

e-Registration will be available at the Symposium official website (http://www.iss2019.org). Every participant is encouraged to register to the Symposium through the website. e-Registration system will be operated from September 1, 2018. If you have any questions about registration, please email us at registration@iss2019.org

Classification	Early Bird	Regular	Banquet
Professional	US\$ 600	US\$ 700	US\$ 70
Student	US\$ 350	US\$ 450	US\$ 70
Guest	US\$ 200	US\$ 250	US\$ 70

# EXHIBITION/SPONSORSHIP

The 23<sup>rd</sup> International Seaweed Symposium will provide a world stage for your company/institution to showcase its products, services and achievements in front of key decision makers and industry leaders. Increase your visibility and company/institution profile by becoming a Sponsor and/or Exhibitor at this exciting event. Detailed guidelines for the exhibition/sponsorship will be announced in the 3<sup>rd</sup> circular. For more information on sponsorship/exhibition, please contact us at secretariat@iss2019.org

#### VISA-FREE ENTRY TO JEJU

Jeju Island is a special self-governing province and visitors from 180 countries are allowed to enter the island without a visa. Visitors from these 180 countries are permitted to enter Jeju Island and stay up to 30 days without Korean Visa according to "Special Law of Jeju Liberal City" with exception of designated 11 countries listed below. Those eligible must take direct routes to Jeju Island, or with Jeju Island listed as their final destination.

#### Visitors from any of these 11 countries are not permitted to enter without a visa

- Afghanistan, Cuba, Ghana, Iran, Iraq, Libya, Nigeria, Macedonia, Palestine, Sudan, and Syria

Please be notified that foreigners should hold Korean visa when transferring from another airport in Korea for a connecting flight to Jeju Island. In other words, any transit to Jeju Island through Incheon airport/Gimpo airport/Gimhae airport, shall require a Korean visa.

For more detailed information on visa, please click here

# VISA TO KOREA

Foreign nationals entering Korea are required to have a valid passport and a Korean visa issued by the Korean embassy or consular offices in their country. However, citizens from many countries are now permitted visa-free entry for a limited period under certain conditions.

# **Countries under Visa Waiver Agreement**

The 104 countries listed on the website linked below, in addition to Mozambique, which was added in February 2017, are under a Visa Waiver Agreement with Korea. Depending on nationality and passport type, citizens from these 105 countries can visit Korea with the purpose of tourism without a visa for 30 to 90 days.

If you want to check the total list of Visa Waiver countries, click here

#### • EXPERIENCE KOREA & JEJU IN ISS 2019!

The Organizing Committee is planning to operate exciting tour programs in which the participants can visit Seoul, Wando Seaweed Farm, Mt. Halla Trekking, UNESCO World Heritage Sites and so on.



### **SEOUL TOUR**

If you've arrived in Seoul but with limited sightseeing time, you might start by asking yourself, "What is this city most famous for?" In pre/post-symposium tour of ISS 2019, you will have a chance to visit some of the best sightseeing tours in Seoul including Gyeong-bokgung Palace, Insadong Antique Street, Namdaemun Market, Myeongdong Downtown and Seoul Tower.



#### WANDO SEAWEED FARM TOUR

Wando county is known to be "Seaweed Heaven" in Korea and hosted the Wando Seaweed Expo in 2014 and 2017. The best Gim (laver) is produced in the Wando area. Gim farming dates back 400 years. Today Wando is the biggest Gim production area with 22% of the total yield in Korea. In 2017, Wando exported about 50 million tons of Gim to abroad. Express ferries will take you in just 1 hour and 40 minutes from Jeju to Wando.



#### Mt. HALLA TREKKING

Among the Halla Mountain trails, Yeongsil, about 3.7 kilometers long, is the most popular trail, taking 1 hour 40 minutes. The path goes uphill along steep mountain ridges. The first noteworthy site on Yeongsil is a group of volcanic rocks collectively called Yeongsilgiam. These oddly shaped rocks are situated to the right of a big valley at 1,400 meters to 1,600 meters above sea level, soaring upwards toward the sky. The crater wall of Halla Mountain is another attraction of Yeongsil Trail.



# **UNESCO World Natural Heritage Tour**

Seongsan Ilchulbong (sunrise peak) rose from an ocean volcano eruption over 100,000 years ago. Located on the eastern end of Jeju Island, the sunrise peak has a huge crater at the top. The crater is about 600m in diameter and 90m high. With the 99 sharp rocks surrounding the crater, it looks like a gigantic crown.

Haenyeo are female ocean divers who gather invertebrates, seaweeds, and other edibles without diving equipment. You will have a chance to meet Jeju Haenyeo and Haenyeo culture in ISS 2019 tour including

visiting Jeju Haenyeo Museum which was established to introduce the world to the unique culture of Jeju's haenyeo.

Manjanggul Cave is one of the finest lava tunnels in the world. The inside of the tunnel sustains a temperature of 11~21°C, creating a comfortable atmosphere. Though only 1km of its 13,422m is open to tourists, you will be able to enjoy rare animals such as bats living in the tunnel, stone pillars & stalactites and stone turtle which is especially eye-catching because it is shaped like Jeju island.

#### SYMPOSIUM VENUE

# International Convention Center Jeju

The International Convention Center (ICC) Jeju, the venue of ISS2019, is a world-class convention center located in the Jungmun Tourist Resort Complex of Southern Jeju Island. This world class seven story convention center, spreading over an area of more than 5,000 m², is looking at the scenic views of the South Pacific Ocean and Mt. Halla. It is a resort-type convention center providing the scenic atmosphere surrounded by Jeju's blessed natural resources.

For more information on ICC Jeju, please click here



# Jeju Island

For many Koreans, Jeju has long been the ideal place to spend their vacations or honeymoon. Tourism is the No.1. industry in the region. UNESCO has listed Jeju Island and its lava tubes as a World Natural Heritage. Various rare creatures still inhabit the tubes and tourists can experience odd-looking stalactites and pristine water, the magnificent creations of mother nature.

Jeju is known to be the hub of Northeast Asia with easy and convenient access from all over the world. Jeju allows visitors from 180 countries to enter the island without a visa and provides a tax refund benefit.

Jeju is connected with 26 major cities in 4 countries through direct flights. In addition, on average, 270 airplanes depart from Jeju on 13 different domestic routes every day.

For more information on Jeju Island, please click here



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