

# 11th Science Council of Asia Conference



**Welcome to Mongolia!**  
**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

# COMBATING LAND DEGRADATION IN ASIA

**Proposed Theme for 11th SCA Conference**

Land degradation has been recognized as a global problem associated with desertification in arid, semi-arid and dry sub-humid zones in Asia.

Mongolia is one of the countries suffering from severe pasture degradation. Out of 603,909 sq mi of it's total area, eighty percent is pastureland. Over 70 percent of the total area is under threat of desertification. Dust storm (yellow dust) frequency and wind speed has a direct impact on desertification process. Much of the land is affected by human activity.

Mongolian scientists and researchers have been conducting extensive research on land degradation and desertification, including studies on the vegetation cover; ecosystem characteristics; climate change; water balance; biomass fluctuations in cropland; pasture and grassland; soil productivity, erosion and deterioration; sand movement and overgrazing.



The Conference may highlight the strategies for and main achievements made towards combating land degradation and desertification. Participants will discuss about their own experiences, meanwhile, encouraging the collaboration among Asian countries for the solution of environmental problems.



We want to keep Asia clean, fertile and green continent that can be a role model of environmental protection and conservation for the rest of the world.



# 11th SCA Conference - Mongolia PROPOSED PROGRAMME

## Day 1

**Morning**

**9:00 - 12:00**

**lunch**

**12:00 - 13:30**

**Afternoon**

**15:00 - 18:00**

**Evening**

**19:00 -**

**Arrival/Registration**

**lunch**

**Management Board Meeting I  
General Assembly Meeting I  
SCA Joint Project Workshops**

**Dinner**

## Day 2

**International Symposium  
Part I**

**lunch**

**International Symposium  
Part 2**

**Dinner**

## Day 3

**Management Board Meeting II  
General Assembly Meeting II**

**lunch**

**Excursion Tour**



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Venues





**Government Palace**







**Central Palace of Culture**



**Sukhbaatar Square**









**SEE YOU IN MONGOLIA!**