



The 3rd International Conference on Farming Systems on the Loess Plateau
Sustainable Development and Food Security
June 14- 20, 2011 Lanzhou, China

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT

The Loess Plateau of the People's Republic of China is one of the most unstable landforms in the world and erosion is one of major problems. So too are the food production demands being made on this region to cope with a sustainable development. After two successful conferences on farming systems of the Loess Plateau held in Lanzhou in 1987 and 1991, respectively, the third conference on similar topics will be held from June 14-18, 2011. You are invited to attend this upcoming event. The conference is organized by College of Pastoral Agriculture Science & Technology, Lanzhou University, Gansu Grassland Ecological Research Institute and the Key Laboratory of Agro-Grassland Ecosystems, Ministry of Agriculture, China, and sponsored by the Chinese Academy of Engineering.

The conference will provide a valuable opportunity for the exchange of knowledge, including the discussion of sustainable development on the Loess Plateau. It will generate interest and international linkages between researchers, extension staff and policy makers. A post conference tour is planned to view the Hexi Corridor oasis and desert grassland systems, the Tibetan alpine grassland systems and the Loess Plateau farming systems.

The conference will provide a stage for young and established researchers to present their works in front of the welcoming international audience by both oral and poster presentation. The oral sessions will include invited and contributed papers.

Conference Topics Include

- Global change and diversity
- Plant germplasm resource innovation and development
- Herbivore production and food security
- Carbon sequestration in farming systems
- Decision tools for farming systems
- Rural and community development

Call for Papers

All papers are to be submitted electronically and are limited to a size of no more than three A4 pages, including key points, introduction, materials & methods, results & discussion, conclusions and references sections. Times new roman with a size of 12 points is to be used, with line spacing

of 18 points.

The authors are requested to provide their papers in MS Word (.doc) format, submitting to: cyzdsys@lzu.edu.cn before May 15, 2011.

Language

The official language of the conference will be English.

Registration

The registration fee will be as the follows:

Category	Before May 15, 2011	After May 16, 2011
Standard	US\$ 300	US\$ 400
Student	US\$ 200	US\$ 300

The registration fee will cover the costs of the publication, reception, conference banquet (farewell dinner) and lunches during the conference. The participants can pay the registration fee by the information below.

Beneficiary's Bank: BANK OF CHINA, GANSU BRANCH BANKING DEPARTMENT
Bank address: 525 TIANSHUI SOUTH ROAD LANZHOU GANSU PROV, CHINA
SWIFT CODE: BKCHCNBJ660
Beneficiary: LANZHOU UNIVERSITY
Account No.: 325121901508092001

Hotel

The participants have to pay for hotel by themselves. Please indicate hotel room requirement in the registration form.

The hotel information

Hotels	Price	Address
Lanzhou Aviation Hotel ★★★★	Single room: 70 US\$ /day, Twin room: 60 US\$ /day. Breakfast included.	399 Jiayuguanxilu Road, Lanzhou 730000 (Just opposite to CPAST)

Local Committee

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Important Dates

Registration begins	February 20, 2011
Paper submission deadline	May 15, 2011
Early-bird registration ends	May 15, 2011
Conference registration	June 14, 2011
Conference	June 15-17, 2011
Conference tour	June 18-20, 2011

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Looking forward to seeing you in Lanzhou, China!

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March 21, 2011

REGISTRATION FORM

Name		Country/Region	
Organization/ Affiliation			
Address			
Daytime phone		E-mail	
Fax		Special dietary needs	
Paper title			
Others			
Hotel room requirement	Select () Quantity ()	A. Single room	B. Twin room