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Call for Papers

Third International Conference on Renewable Energy Technology for Rural Development (RETRUD-08)

12-14 October 2008, Kathmandu, Nepal
(26 - 28 Aswin 2065)

Organized by:

-  **Alternative Energy Promotion Center, MOEST, GoN**
-  **Centre for Energy Studies, IOE, TU & Nepal Solar Energy Society (NSES)**

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Background:

The conventional energy resources are rapidly being consumed in the developed countries, while many developing countries still lack reliable energy supply systems. Some Renewable Energy Technologies (RETs) are mature, environmentally friendly and highly appropriate for such developing countries. RETs can play an important role in fulfilling the growing needs of the technologically advanced world of today.

Following the successful 1st International conference (RETRUD-98) and 2nd International conference (RETRUD-03), the 3rd International Conference on Renewable Energy Technology for Rural Development (RETRUD-08) is going to be held in Kathmandu, Nepal from 12-14 October 2008. Prior to the 3rd International conference a National Conference on (RETRUD-06) has been successfully organized for bringing powerful changes in the national renewable energy sector.

The first international conference, RETRUD-98, helped in exchanging experience and information in the field of renewable energy technology, while second international conference, RETRUD-03, contributed for exploring the existing engineering educational activities, disseminating successful RETs undertaken in participating countries and developing closer cooperation among them. The 3rd conference is expected to provide a forum for exchanging, information and ideas, presenting new developments in various fields of **RETs** and networking for global partnership for the betterment of the rural people.

Conference Theme:

Technical Issues on RETs (solar electricity/thermal, hydropower, wind, biomass in forms of solid, liquid and gas, geothermal, hydrogen) including new design & development, and monitoring & evaluation
Existing and Future Policy/Institutional Issues/Management including Environmental Issues and Carbon Trading opportunities within the country
Educational and Information Dissemination.
Energy Issues in Rangelands
Case studies of failure and successful RET projects.

Abstract:

Abstracts must be written in English, should be in about 200 words, must contain a full list of author/s with address, fax number/s and e-mail/s, must be sent in soft copies in MS Word or PDF format to the conference secretariat. (Papers based on case studies are preferred.)

Key Dates:

Abstract Deadline: May 15, 2008

Acceptance Information: June 15, 2008

Full Paper Submission Deadline: July 31, 2008

Conference Venue: Kathmandu, Nepal

Note: The Official Language of the Conference will be English.

Sponsoring Opportunities:

We are grateful to sponsors of RETRUD-98, RETRUD-03 and RETRUD-06. We are looking for the same cooperation from previous sponsors and also from new sponsors.

Early registration Fee

Delegates from Nepal	: NRs.	2500.00
Delegates from SAARC Countries	: US \$	50.00
Delegates from other Countries	: US \$	100.00

Payment should be made in favor of RETRUD-08

Registration includes: Conference Proceedings, teas, lunches, conference bag, program schedule and reception dinner.

Visa

Delegates can easily obtain 2 months Nepal Visa at the airport in Kathmandu at US \$ 30.

Hotel Accommodations

From US\$ 20 to 150 per night per person (one star to five star hotel). Please contact Conference secretariat for hotel reservation at least two months in advance.

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