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Sustainable Water

25–28 August 2009, Nairobi, Kenya

Africa is acutely sensitive to water issues. Several countries have lost as much as 25 percent of their water resources from their lakes and reservoirs. The state of groundwater is poorly mapped and the pattern of rainfall is changing due to climatic change. Above all, Africa has a rapidly growing population that needs water for food production and industrial uses.

To address this issue, the Kenyan hub of the Pan Africa Chemistry Network (PACN) is holding a conference 26–28 August 2009 at the University of Nairobi. **The Sustainable Water Conference** will review critical water issues and cover both theoretical and applied water knowledge. Sessions will include:

- Water quality and contamination, focused on rivers, lakes, reservoirs, and groundwater, and new sensor technologies and environmental monitoring
- Water usage for human consumption, including industrial use, recreation, and agriculture
- Sustainable water management and treatment, including recycling and use, desalination, treatment processes, infrastructure, planning and management, and purification technology
- Climate change and water

The conference will be preceded by a satellite workshop on Green Chemistry and Sustainability on the morning of 25 August at the same venue.

The PACN Kenyan hub is also planning for a series of activities, which include international conferences in areas of key importance to the continent, travel grants to attend conferences in Africa and in the UK, short-term training for scientists, support for the existing African chemistry networks, and the creation of research and collaboration facilities to increase the numbers of scientists emerging from the continent. Initially, two hubs were established: one at the University of Nairobi, Kenya, and the other at Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia. Both aim to work across the continent to promote the chemical sciences.

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Biopesticides

21–26 September 2009
La Palma, Canary Islands

The **8th Meeting of the PSE & 2nd RSEQ-GEQPN Congress** will be held in La Palma, Canary Islands, Spain. The congress will take place at the Convention Center La Palma-Teneguía Princess, 21–26 September 2009.

The organizers plan to bring together leading experts, scientists, and professionals from the areas of

natural-product-based biopesticides, agrochemicals, natural product biotechnology, new extraction techniques, structure elucidation and target-oriented synthesis to present their research work and to describe current scientific trends.

All correspondence concerning registration, accommodations, and scientific or organizational issues should be addressed to the Congress Secretariat <pse@magnacongresos.com>.

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