



ATBC Asia-Pacific Chapter 2012 Annual Meeting

Theme

Understanding and mitigating the impacts of global change in tropical Asia'

Venue

Xishuangbanna Tropical Botanical Garden, Yunnan Province, China

Dates

Sat 24 Mar 2012 - Tue 27 Mar 2012

Deadlines

1st Sep 2011 Registration and abstract submission open 31st Dec 2011 Abstract submission close and early-bird registration closes 28th Feb 2012 Registration closes

For further information and online registration please visit the conference webpage.

Program

- 10 23 Mar: Pre-conference workshops / excursions
- 23 24 Mar (Fri-Sat): Arrival of participants, registration, opening ceremony and reception
- 25 Mar (Sun): plenary session and symposia sessions
- 26 Mar (Mon): Morning excursion, poster session, symposia session
- 27 Mar (Tue): Plenary session and symposia sessions, closing ceremony and conference dinner
- 28 Mar 4 Apr: Post-conference workshops / excursions

Confirmed symposia

- 1. Forest dynamics Shin-ichiro Aiba (<u>aiba@sci.kagoshima-u.ac.jp</u>)
- 2. Plant-animal conservation Stephen Brown (stephen.browne@fauna-flora.org)
- 3. Functional traits Cao Kunfang (caokf@xtbg.ac.cn)
- 4. Peat swamps Mary-Rose Posa (dbspmrc@nus.edu.sg) and Grace Blackham
- 5. Soil dynamics and carbon Douglas Scheaffer (xiedaoan@xtbg.ac.cn)
- 6. Insect-plant evolutionary ecology Peng Yang Qiong (pengyq@xtbg.ac.cn)
- 7. Tropical forest restoration Steve Elliot (Stephen_elliott1@yahoo.com)
- 8. The future of taxonomy John Kress (kressj@si.edu)
- 9. Monitoring insect populations David Roubik (<u>roubikd@si.edu</u>)
- 10. Biogeography Chuck Cannon (chuck.cannon@gmail.com)
- 11. Species distribution modeling Niels Raes (<u>raes@nhn.leidenuniv.nl</u>)

Those interesting in chairing a symposium please contact Dr Ferry Slik (ferryslik@hotmail.com)

Workshops

Experimental design and data analysis (Basic & Advanced courses) 16-21st March Scientific paper writing 22-23rd March

Japan – China tropical ecology collaboration (26-28th March)

Registration fee

	Lower-income countries		High-income countries	
	ATBC member	ATBC non-member	ATBC member	ATBC non-member
Early registration	\$US 120	\$US 150	\$US 170	\$US 200
Normal registration	\$US 170	\$US 200	\$US 220	\$US 250

Fee includes conference materials; lunch, dinner and coffee breaks; conference excursion on 26th Mar; and transport to and from Jinghong and XTBG.

Hotel booking

Menglun is a small town and the hotels do not have online booking systems. So **all participants must complete a hotel booking form** and fax to conference secretariat. Participants are required to pay a \$35 refundable deposit for hotel booking.

Refund Policy

100% refund up to Dec 31st 2011.

80% refund up to Feb 28th 2012.

(100% refund for participants who request and are not allocated an Oral presentation) 0% refund after Feb 28th 2012.

Hotel deposit is 100% refundable up until 28th Feb. 2012.

Travel details

XTBG is one hour from Jinghong, Yunnan Province. Shuttle-buses from Jinghong-XTBG will run on 23rd-24th Mar and on 28-29th Mar. A taxi costs \$250 RMB.

Option 1

Fly Bangkok – Jinghong with China Eastern (MU2025 / MU2026)

Option 2

Fly via Kunming (many flights/airlines) and then Kunming – Jinghong (http://www.chinatraveldepot.com/Cheap-Flights-from-Kunming-to-Jinghong-KMG-JHG) (cheaper flights for the domestic leg may be obtained by booking with a domestic company)





Option 3

Fly via Kunming (many flights/airlines) and then by bus from Kunming to Jinghong (10 hrs, ~RMB230)

For booking of domestic flights or buses we recommend using Kunming China International Travel Service Ltd. (Ms. Cecilia Wang (wangshanshan111@gmail.com) or Mr. Zhang Jinqiang (Zhang_kmcits@126.com)). This agent is also suitable for booking private excursions.

Accommodation

Because of the shortage of accommodation in Menglun, hotels must be booked through the conference secretariat. Please complete the attached hotel booking form and fax to us.

XTBG Hotel

220 RMB (including breakfast) for standard or single rooms, with air-conditioning, color TV, telephone, private bathroom and free wireless internet in the hotel lobby.

This is the garden hotel and within 10 mins. walking distance or 5 mins electric shuttle ride of the conference venue.

Rising Sun Hotel

120 RMB for standard rooms with air-conditioning, color TV, telephone, private bathroom and free wired/wireless internet.

This hotel is located in Menglun town 10 mins walk from XTBG gate or 40 mins walk from the conference venue. Morning and evening shuttle-buses between the XTBG gate and conference venue will be arranged.

Chunlin Hotel

80 RMB for basic standard or single rooms, with air-conditioning, color TV, telephone, private bathroom and free wireless internet in the hotel lobby.

This hotel is located 50 m from the XTBG gate, or 30 mins walk from the conference venue. Morning and evening shuttle-buses between the XTBG gate and conference venue will be arranged. This hotel is recommended for students and sharing is required.

Excursions (details to follow)

23rd Mar Trip to Mengla walkway and Dai village

24th Mar Garden tour

26th Mar Conference field excursion

28th Mar Trip to Mengla walkway and Dai village

Longer Yunnan trips 3-5 days Dali, Lijang etc

