



Conference on Sustainable Utilization and Management of Asian Lakes

First Global Consultation Meeting on Promotion and Implementation of GEF Lake Basin Management Initiative
Vivere Suites, Alabang, Muntinlupa City, Philippines
November 10 – 11, 2005

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Dear Mr. Naga:

RE: Conference on Sustainable Utilization and Management of Asian Lake Basins

It is our pleasure to invite you to the Conference on Sustainable Utilization and Management of Asian Lake Basins to be held at Vivere Suites, Filinvest Corporate City, Alabang, Muntinlupa City, on 10-11 November 2005. The International Lake Environment Committee Foundation (ILEC) and the Laguna Lake Development Authority (LLDA), with the support of the World Bank, have organized this conference. The conference builds on the earlier collaboration among these agencies to support the implementation of the ILEC Executed, World Bank Implemented Global Environment Facility (GEF) Medium Sized project titled: "Towards a Lake Basin Management Initiative and in support of the Third World water Forum: Sharing Experiences and Early Lessons in GEF and non-GEF Lake Basin Management Projects (in short, the Lake Basin Management Initiative)."

The conference has two main objectives. The first objective is to accelerate learning and implementation of effective lake and reservoir management. The second objective, which is related to the first, is to share results and findings from the GEF Lake Basin Management Initiative (LBMI) with Asian lake managers and stakeholders. The participants will include selected Asian Lake Basin Managers from Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam and representatives from regulatory and development agencies, academe, research institutions, industries, NGOs, people's organization and funding agencies.

As one of the active advocates on the conservation of Lake Lanao, we kindly request you to give a fifteen-(15)-minute presentation on the management challenges facing the lake and the efforts being undertaken in this regard.

ILEC/LLDA will cover your roundtrip economy air ticket, food and accommodation at Vivere Suites. You may check in on November 9 and check out on November 12.

For information about the hotel and conference venue, please contact Vivere Suites through the following means:

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Attached for your reference is the Draft Program.

Thank you very much and we look forward to seeing you at the Conference.

Yours sincerely,

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