Dear all,

First of all, thank you for all the tremendous support from our dear colleagues in US, China Mainland, Taiwan and Hong Kong, the number of abstracts we received exceeded 100 by 8PM on 04/30/2013!

If you have submitted your abstract and have not heard any abstract submission notification emails yet, please contact coaa2013@coaaweb.org so that we can check whether we have received your abstract successfully.

With all your high expectations on the success of this conference, we are working very hard to make sure you will enjoy a very fruitful and productive meeting and a joyful stay in Hong Kong this summer. Therefore, we don't want to leave anyone who is deeply interested on attending the conference behind. Therefore we will extend the Abstract Submission for another three weeks (DUE 05/21) due to the following reasons:

- 1. The previous deadline is during the major holiday in China.
- 2. More (and hopefully better) accommodation deals are still negotiated.
- 3. More certainty for some attendees who had expressed their interests to attend the meeting.

May 21 will be the FINAL DUE date for the Abstract Submission. If you haven't managed submitting your abstract yet, please do so ASAP at: http://www.coaaweb.org/COAA2013/abstractsubmission.html

For the online registration of the conference, please visit http://www.coaaweb.org/COAA2013/registration.html

Thank you! Look forward to your submitted abstracts and registration soon!

Sincerely yours,

Given this opportunity, we are also very pleased to announce that the Hong Kong Meteorological Society (HKMS) joins COAA and CUHK in co-organizing The 6th International Conference on Atmosphere, Ocean, and Climate Change:

The Chinese-American Oceanic and Atmospheric Association (COAA) and the Hong Kong Meteorological Society (HKMS) are pleased to announce their cooperation in organizing international science conferences in Hong Kong in 2013.

COAA will hold its 6th International Conference on Atmosphere, Ocean, and Climate Change at the Chinese University of Hong Kong on 19-21 August 2013, HKMS will be a co-organizer. This series of conferences has been a main gathering event of Chinese American oceanic and atmospheric scientists and their colleagues and have been held in U.S., Taiwan, and mainland China.

HKMS will hold the HKMS 25th Anniversary Conference on East Asia and Western Pacific Meteorology and Climate at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology on 2-4 November 2013. COAA will be a co-organizer. HKMS was established in 1988 to organize the first of four conferences of the same name between 1989 and 1999.

Nearly all the COAA founding members, including the founding President Professor Jin Wu, attended the Hong Kong conference in 1989, which was the first time Chinese-speaking atmospheric and oceanic scientists from Mainland China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, North America and other parts of world gathered together to discuss weather and climate. The historical background brings special significance to the COAA and HKMS conferences in Hong Kong. This is also the year to celebrate the 20th anniversary of

COAA, the 50th anniversary of Chinese University of Hong Kong, and the 130th anniversary of the Hong Kong Observatory.

With all these anniversaries to celebrate on the agenda, we sincerely look forward to receiving your abstracts/registrations and seeing you in Hong Kong this summer!

Sincerely yours,

COAA Board 2013

Many thanks for the numerous interest we received from our dear members on attending the 6th International Conference on Atmosphere, Ocean and Climate Change (Aug 19-21, 2013, Hong Kong).

We are pleased to keep you informed on the following several latest developments:

- 1. The dedicated conference website is now OPEN: http://www.coaaweb.org/COAA2013. You can also link to this webpage from COAA's official website at http://www.coaaweb.org. If you are helping to spread the words to your community, please feel free to use either of the links.
- 2. The online abstract submission is now OPEN. The due date for the online abstract submission is 04/30/2013. The notifications to the abstract submission will be sent out by 05/15/2013. Please plan ahead and submit your abstract at your earliest convenience.
- 3. The online conference registration is now OPEN. The due date for the online registration is 06/30/2013. The secure online registration fee payment through Paypal is also available on the same page. The deadline for the online early bird registration rate is 06/30/2013 (non-student rate \$200; student rate \$100). On-site registration option is also available at the conference (08/19-08/21/2013) with non-student rate \$250 and student rate \$150.
- 4. Some hotel information are now available at the conference website http://www,coaaweb.org/COAA2013. CUHK has kindly helped negotiate discounted prices with several hotels near to the CUHK campus where the conference is hold. Please check out the website for more details.
- 5. The complete list of the following committees are also updated online at

http://www.coaaweb.org/COAA2013.

Scientific Advisory Committee Scientific Program Committee Local Organization Committee COAA Coordinators

6. A dedicated email address was set up to facilitate the conference organization: coaa2013@coaaweb.org. Please feel free to contact us anytime with any inquiries, comments, suggestions, or if you need any assistance regarding abstract submission, online registration and online payment.

Please help to spread the words to your colleagues, friends, circles and communities. Thank you!

We sincerely look forward to seeing your abstract and/or your conference registration information soon!

Sincerely yours,

COAA 2013

***** Some Information from the 1ST Announcement******

The Chinese-American Oceanic and Atmospheric Association (COAA) and The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) are pleased to announce the 6th International Conference on Atmosphere, Ocean, and Climate Change to be held on the campus of CUHK during August 19~21, 2013 in Hong Kong, China.

The conference aims to bring global Chinese professionals on atmospheric and oceanic sciences and technologies to report latest scientific findings and innovative technologies related to observation of climate, weather and oceanic variables, especially their applications for weather forecasting and climate change studies. The conference is the premier platform for experts from all over the world to meet and to exchange and inspire new ideas, and to identify opportunities for future collaborations. It is also a means for senior scientists and engineers to provide helpful information for younger ones to foster knowledge transfer from generation to generation.

2013 also marks the 20th anniversary of COAA and the 50th anniversary of CUHK. So please join us for the memorable celebration in Hong Kong this summer!

On behalf of the conference organization committees, I would like to invite your participation in this once every 3-year event. We look forward to seeing you in Hong Kong this summer.

Abstract submission and registration are now available online. You may plan your travel accordingly now. Meanwhile, you can always contact us directly via email at a dedicated

email address <u>coaa2013@coaaweb.org</u>, or you may check COAA and CUHK webpages for any update:

http://www.coaaweb.org/COAA2013

http://www.grm.cuhk.edu.hk/eng/news/confnews/COAA2013/index.html

IMPORTANT DATES:

04/30/2013: Abstract Submission Deadline

05/15/2013: Acceptance Notifications

06/30/2013: Online Registration Deadline

08/19.2013-08/21/2013: Conference in Hong Kong with on-site registration

SCIENTIFIC THEMES:

- 1. Climate Change, Impact and Adaptation
- 2. Climate Modeling and Projection
- 3. Aerosol, Pollution and Climate
- 4. Cloud and Radiation Budget
- 5. Remote Sensing
- 6. Data Assimilation and Weather Prediction
- 7. Precipitation and Hydrology
- 8. Ocean-Atmosphere Interaction
- 9. Oceanography (Physics, Chemistry and Biology)
- 10. Monsoon and Tropical Meteorology
- 11. Severe Weather and Typhoon
- 12. Land-Atmosphere Interactions
- 13. The Atmosphere, Ocean and Climate of the Pearl Delta and South China Sea

Thanks to the following committees for their kind help and support to this conference:

Scientific Advisory Committee

Scientific Program Committee

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The list of the members of the committees are updated online at

http://www.coaaweb.org/COAA2013

Please feel free to circulate this announcement to your circles of colleagues, friends and communities at your convenience. If you have questions or inquiries about this conference, please feel free to contact us directly via a dedicated email address: coaa2013@coaaweb.org

Thank you!

Yours sincerely,

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"It ain't what you don't know that gets you into trouble. It's what you know for sure that just ain't so."--Mark Twain
