







# Tbilisi International Student Conference

#### THE PROBLEM OF THE OZONE LAYER – WHAT CAN WE DO?!

Tbilisi, 30<sup>th</sup> November 1<sup>th</sup>December 2012

#### FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS

We have the honour of inviting you to take part in the Conference "THE PROBLEM OF THE OZONE LAYER – WHAT CAN WE DO?!" which will be held in Tbilisi, Georgia 30 November – 1 December 2012. The Conference will be hosted by Iv.Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University.

# **General Information:**

Ozone Layer works as the natural screen of the Earth and protects the life from the harmful ultraviolet solar radiation (UV). For the first time, scientists have begun to worry about the Ozone Layer depletion in 70 of the last century. Three chemists, who were later awarded with the Nobel Prize, determined that the Ozone Layer was damaged by anthropogenic gases which were widely used in various field of human activities.

By the active participation of the world community there have been accepted very important international agreements such as the Vienna Convention "For the protection of the Ozone Layer" (1985), the Montreal Protocol "On substances that deplete the Ozone Layer"(1987) and the Kyoto protocol to the UN Framework Convention on Climate change(1997).

The conference "The problem of the Ozone Layer – what can we do?!" is organized under the project "Enabling Activities for Implementation of Montreal Protocol in Georgia". The implementation of the project is supported by the Multilateral Fund of the Montreal Protocol and the implementing agencies are the Ministry of Environment of Georgia and UNDP. Participation of students from the article 5 countries of the ECA network under the Montreal Protocol is supported by UNEP.

# Students of undergraduate and graduate courses can take part in the conference.

# **Conference topics:**

- ➤ Significance of the Ozone Layer. Causes and effects of its depletion.
- Regulation of Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS). International legal basis.
- >Strategies of ODS phase-out. Recovering, recycling, destruction.
- ➤ Social aspects of conversion from ODS to ozone friendly alternatives.
- ➤ The Montreal Protocol and Climate Change.

The above topics do not exclude other Ecological issues addressing Ozon depleting problems. Papers and demonstrations that are relevant to the conference, but do not fit into any of the topics above, will be nevertheless considered for presentation at the conference.

# Organized and Sponsored by:

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# **Working Language of the Conference - English**

Authors of presentation are asked to send the resumes of their conference papers no later than **October 30 2012** in English.

# Format Guidelines:

The title should be written and centered on the first line(s) in bold, capitals. Times New Roman font, 12 pt. The names of the authors and their affiliation (including address and e-mail) should be placed next, with one blank line above and below in Italic, Times New Roman font, 10 pt.

Single-spaced main text should be written in MS Word for Windows using Times New Roman font, 11 pt.

The resume should be no more than 350 words

Kay Words 4-6 words

Conference materials will be published in Conference Proceedings. Authors of the three best presentations will be awarded with valuable gifts. All participants will receive certificates.

# **Important Dates:**

October 30, 2012 Deadline for reception of resumes

November 7, 2012 Notifications of authors about acceptance of the papers

November 15, 2012 Deadline for reception of full papers

November 30<sup>th</sup> - December 1<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Conference

### **Registration:**

For the registration authors are kindly asked to send the resumes and full papers to the e-mail address of organization committee:

ozon.conference2012@tsu.ge

After sending the required information to the above-mentioned e-mail address, you will receive a confirmation letter about your registration.

For further information feel free to contact the Organizing Committee.

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