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ANNOUNCEMENT

Conservation and management of tropical inland waters: problems solutions and prospects

A meeting to be held in Hong Kong during the first week of September in 1991

The rate of degradation of tropical inland-water habitats cannot fail to alarm limnologists everywhere. Our need to protect these habitats is, however, hampered by our lack of knowledge of tropical systems. The proposed meeting aims to bring together limnologists from both tropical and temperate regions, and help serve the purpose of protecting tropical inland waters by summarizing current knowledge, identifying areas where there are significant gaps in understanding, and indicating how these gaps may be filled using rigorous methods employed in such a manner as to answer specific questions. In particular, we can focus on approaches which will shed light on both the similarities and dissimilarities in patterns and processes operating in tropical and temperate regions.

This meeting will consist of several sessions covering the following topics:

- (1) Running waters: ecology and management;
- (2) Standing waters and man-made lakes: ecology and management;
- (3) Freshwater pollution and toxicology;
- (4) Freshwater fisheries and aquaculture;
- (5) Ways ahead: practical, logistic and funding considerations in the protection of tropical inland waters.

It is intended that the edited and refereed proceedings of this meeting be published in book form.

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