

Cuba Hosts Environment Forum with Delegates from 45 Countries

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More than 1,200 participants from at least 45 nations are attending as of today the 10th International Convention on Environment and Development, to be held until Friday, July 10, at the Conference Center in this capital. The motto of the event "For a new fairer, more solidarity, equitable and sustainable model of development" calls to build fairer societies, to establish a more equitable international order, based on respect to the right of everyone.

It also urges to ensure the sustainable development of nations, especially those of the South, and put the progress of science and technology at the service of saving the planet and human dignity, according to the organizing committee.

Mexico, Colombia, Brazil, Venezuela and Argentina are among the most represented countries, the organizers of the event explained, who estimated about 600 Cuban delegates and exhibitors.

This event seeks to promote cooperation among countries, exchange experience and sustainable practices, as well as a transfer of knowledge that corresponds to the new conception of economic, social and environmentally sustainable development.

The convention is made up of six congresses, three symposia, four colloquiums, and a workshop, covering many current environmental contents.

The congresses will deal with climate change, environmental education; protected areas;

ecosystem and biodiversity management; politics, law and environmental justice, and environmental management.

Boram Lee, of the World Meteorological Organization, and Michael Clegg, vice minister of the International Council for Science and co-chairman of the Network of Academy of Sciences of the United States, are among the lecturers.

Ministers from El Salvador, Chile, Vietnam, Angola, Republic of Congo, Algeria and a deputy minister from Namibia, and regional representatives of the UN Development Program (UNDP) and the UN Environmental Program (UNEP), have so far confirmed their presence.

The forum is organized by Cuba's Environment Agency; the Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment; the National Bureau of Environmental Regulation and Nuclear Safety, and several centers and similar institutes.

As part of the event, there will be an exhibition fair of technologies, projects and environmental experiences.

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