Site & Housing Information

The Westin Arlington Hotel, 801 North Glebe Road, Arlington, Virginia 22203, is the host hotel and will house all meeting events. The hotel is a two-minute walk from the National Science Foundation building and a few station stops from downtown Washington, DC, on the Metro subway system. The shops and restaurants of Arlington are within walking distance. The Mall, monuments, and other points of interest in downtown Washington can be easily accessed via the Metro. Reservations must be made on or before 8 April 2008 to get the meeting rate of $229 per night. After 8 April 2008, the Westin Arlington will accept reservations on a space- and rate-available basis.

Show Services, Hours and Fees

The basic charge for a tabletop exhibit is $500. The fees include a 6’ table or space for a freestanding booth (8’ wide maximum), 2 chairs and ID sign.

To reserve your space, you may call or fax the AIBS Headquarters (tabletops will be held for 30 days pending payment) or mail the online reservation form. Space can be paid for by check, American Express, Visa or MasterCard. Tabletops will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. For reservations or further information contact:

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Exhibition Schedule

Set Up
Monday, 5/12  8:00-10:00 AM
Exhibits Open
Monday, 5/12  10:15 AM-8:30 PM;
Welcome Reception  6:30-8:30 PM
Tuesday, 5/13  9:00 AM-2:45 PM
Tear Down
Tuesday, 5/13  3:00-5:00 PM

Climate, Environment, and Infectious Diseases

Sponsors & Exhibitors

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About AIBS and the 2008 Annual Meeting

AIBS invites you to participate in its 2008 Annual Meeting. AIBS is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) scientific association dedicated to advancing biological research and education for the welfare of society. Founded in 1947 as a part of the National Academy of Sciences, AIBS became an independent, member-governed organization in the 1950s. Today, with headquarters in Washington, DC, and a staff of approximately 50, AIBS is sustained by a robust membership of some 5,000 biologists and 200 professional societies and scientific organizations; the combined individual membership of the latter exceeds 250,000. AIBS advances its mission through coalition activities in research, education, and public policy; publishing the peer-reviewed journal BioScience and the education website ActionBioscience.org; providing scientific peer review and advisory services to government agencies and other clients; convening meetings; and managing scientific programs. Website: www.aibs.org.

The 2008 Annual Meeting theme, “Climate, Environment, and Infectious Diseases,” will include talks and discussion groups with leaders on this topic. The select audience of approximately 300 will be a mix of professional biologists, educators, university faculty, NGO staff, government agency staff, and media. We encourage our exhibitors and sponsors to participate also!

Why Exhibit?

Exhibitor Benefits:
A strategically positioned exhibit area.
Centrally located, the exhibits will have maximum exposure to attendee traffic flow. Meeting registration will be held nearby and daily coffee breaks will be located in the exhibit area.
Unique Networking Opportunities.
Exhibitors will receive two complimentary badges that will allow admission to all sessions and socials.

Speakers

Confirmed speakers for the AIBS Annual Meeting are listed below. Additional speakers are in the process of being added to the program.

Rita Colwell, University of Maryland, College Park
Newt Gingrich, former speaker of the US House of Representatives
James E. Hansen, National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Durland Fish, Yale University
Howard Frumkin, National Center for Environmental Health
David Rogers, University of Oxford
Stephen Morse, Columbia University
Ira Flatow, Host of NPR’s Talk of the Nation: Science Friday
Robert Morris, author of The Blue Death: Disease, Disaster, and the Water We Drink
Kim Stanley Robinson, author of Sixty Days and Counting
Andrew Dobson, Princeton University
Duane Gubler, University of Hawaii
David Blockstein, National Council for Science and the Environment
Stephen Hoffman, Sanaria Inc., Rockville, Maryland

Sponsorship Opportunities

Tabletop display on 6’-wide table or 8’-wide freestanding booth $500
Materials at Take-One Table $200
Registration Packet Inserts $200 each
Website link on meeting website $100
Welcome Mixer and Poster Session Sponsor $2,000
Student Poster Award Sponsor $1,000
Diversity Scholars Luncheon - $2,000
Coffee Break - $1,000 per coffee break
Hyperlinked Ads - $100

Platinum Sponsor - $5,000
• Four paid meeting registrants
• Recognition in registration material and 1 page advertisement in Program
• Logo on tote bag
• Marketing material inserted in conference bag
• List of participants (w/contact information)
• Slide recognition listing between presentations/sessions

Gold Sponsor - $2,500
• Three paid meeting registrants
• Recognition in registration material and 1/2 page advertisement in Program
• Marketing material inserted in conference bag
• List of participants (w/contact information)
• Slide recognition listing between presentations/sessions

Silver Sponsor - $1,500
• Two paid meeting registrants
• Recognition in registration material and 1/4 page advertisement in Program
• Marketing material inserted in conference bag
• List of participants (w/contact information)

Bronze Sponsor - $500
• One paid meeting registrant
• Recognition in registration material and in Program
• List of participants (w/contact information)

Supporting Sponsor - $250
• One paid meeting registrant
• Recognition in registration material and in Program

25% across-the-board discount for nonprofits and AIBS member societies and organizations