



9th Asia-Europe Classroom Network (AEC-NET) Conference
12 – 16 November 2010
Gurgaon NCR of Delhi, India

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The 9th Asia-Europe Classroom Network (AEC-NET) Conference will take place in Gurgaon NCR of Delhi, India from 12 – 16 November 2010. Given that 2010 is the International Year of Biodiversity, the 9th AEC-NET Conference will continue to focus on environment and sustainable development with a theme on “*Climate Change and Biodiversity: How Are They Connected and the Impact of Biodiversity Losses in the Community in Asia and Europe*”. The Conference aims to promote understanding on the value of biodiversity and to raise awareness of conserving biodiversity in the community through teachers/educators and students in Asia and Europe. The 9th AEC-NET Conference falls under the greater framework of the **Asia-Europe Classroom Network (AEC-NET)** programme.

Launched in December 1998, the **Asia-Europe Classroom Network (AEC-NET)** is the Asia-Europe Foundation’s (ASEF) flagship programme which aims to foster collaborations among secondary and high school teachers and students in Asia and Europe. The Network harnesses the potential of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in connecting secondary and high schools of Asia and Europe and constructing a framework for a “cyber classroom” that would promote intellectual and inter-cultural exchanges among secondary and high school teachers and students of the two regions. The AEC-NET has promoted more active interactions and learning between secondary and high schools in Asia and Europe.

The Asia-Europe Foundation, in collaboration with St. Mark’s Senior Secondary Public School, Meera Bagh and with the support of the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), will be organising the Conference in 2010. In brief, the main elements of the conference are:

- (a) Professional enrichment for participants on environment and sustainable development issues
- (b) Presentations of Asia-Europe Classroom (AEC) Projects and Awards, and
- (c) Discussion and development of future AEC Projects

The 9th AEC-NET Conference is open to all teachers and educators from **ASEM*** countries. For participants to fully benefit from the Conference, they need to:

- (a) be proficient in both spoken and written English;
- (b) has a keen interest on environment and sustainable development issues;
- (c) have sufficient knowledge about ICT and its application in learning and training; and
- (d) be prepared to share their experiences and ideas on ICT projects and/or to propose project ideas.

The organisers will cover all local costs in connection with the Conference (including 4-nights accommodation, meals, local transport and other costs to be incurred during the programme). Participants are, however, requested to cover the travel costs to and fro New Delhi, India either on their own, or with the support of their secondary/high schools or other agencies.

Online application is available at http://aec.asef.org/register/participate_conference.asp and the closing date for application is **Wednesday, 15 September 2010**. For more information about the conference, please visit http://aec.asef.org/aecnet/current_conferences.html.

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