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Green Chemistry Education Train the Trainer Workshop: Sharing Progress on the Grand Challenges of the Chemical Enterprise College Park, Maryland - June 26, 2009

To: Professor R.K. Sharma, University of Delhi
From: Jennifer Young and Michael Tinnesand, Train the Trainers Workshop organizers
May 26, 2009

Dear Dr. Sharma,

We are organizing the 2009 Train the Trainers Workshop in conjunction with the Green Chemistry & Engineering Conference. I would like to invite you to be opening speaker giving "An Introduction to Green Chemistry". We hope you will agree because your enthusiasm and knowledge of the subject will be greatly appreciated by all of the workshop participants! As a past participant of the workshop who has gone on to lead many workshops in India, we hope you can share your wealth of experience with the workshop participants.

This introductory presentation would be about 45 minutes long, including questions, and would set the tone for the entire day. The talk would introduce green chemistry concepts, provide background, and current examples of green chemistry at work in academia, industrial, and social settings. We hope you would also be available to participate throughout the day, especially during the break-out sessions.

The other topics of the day will include Working with K-12 and the General Public (Michael Tinnesand), Undergraduate Education (Jim Hutchison-invited), and Reaching Out to Industry (Anne Wallin of Dow). There will also be three break-out sessions for smaller group discussions, and the day will end with participants creating their own "storyboard" or draft presentation that they anticipate giving as a result of the workshop. The changes in the day's agenda over past years are a direct result of feedback we recently received from a follow-up survey to past participants.

The Train the Trainer Workshop will be on Friday, June 26, 2009 and immediately follows the GC&E conference program. We would be very pleased if you are able to be a part of the 2009 workshop. We are able to offer a stipend (honorarium) and full travel reimbursement to support your presentation.

Please let me know if you are interested and able to participate in the 2009 Train the Trainer session. You can see the full agenda here: http://acswebcontent.acs.org/gcande/gceducation_workshop.html.

Warm Regards,

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Workshop Goals

- ✓ Create wider awareness of sustainable scientific practices by training presenters, who may train others to support a wider understanding of green chemistry.
- ✓ Introduce the principles of green chemistry and provide examples of applications and innovations of green chemistry in practice.
- ✓ Provide opportunities to practice application of workshop resources and network with other participants.
- ✓ Present resources and examples for communicating green chemistry to a variety of audiences.
- ✓ Renew/Establish contacts with ACS/Green Chemistry Institute and the green chemistry community.