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Dear East-West Center Alumni and Associates,

Welcome to the South Asia conference!

This conference brings together alumni from throughout South Asia as well as participants from the United States and Southeast Asia. We are also pleased that many key Center staff and researchers are attending the conference. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet old friends and make new professional contacts.

Our conference is timely given the rapidly changing political and economic environment the region is facing today. Significant numbers of alumni and Center staff are attending which promises to make this an intellectually stimulating and personally rewarding experience. The conference theme “Building the South Asian Community in a Global Context” is directly relevant to the Center’s mission to contribute to a peaceful, prosperous, and just Asia Pacific community.

To address the issues, our South Asian Chapters have put together an outstanding program including thought-provoking panels and plenary sessions. In addition, the luncheons, dinners, and breaks will provide many opportunities for networking among the participants. We thank the conference committee for putting together this conference knowing the hours of work that went into its planning and execution.

Have a wonderful conference!

Sincerely,

Charles E. Morrison  Larry Foster
President President
East-West Center East-West Center Association
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AMBASSADOR OF
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NEW DELHI

MESSAGE FOR EWCA REGIONAL CONFERENCE IN
SOUTH ASIA, NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 16-18, 2005
FROM U.S. AMBASSADOR TO INDIA
DAVID C. MULFORD

On behalf of the U.S. Embassy in New Delhi, I want to warmly welcome all of the Center alumni and other participants in the East-West Center/East-West Center Association South Asia Regional Conference. It is a great pleasure to have President Charles Morrison and a cross-section of Center alumni from South Asia and beyond visiting India, especially during International Education Week.

I am particularly pleased to see that the U.S. Educational Foundation in India (USEFI) is cooperating with alumni association chapters in India on this important gathering. As the Fulbright binational commission in India, USEFI -- like the East-West Center -- promotes mutual understanding and fosters scholarship between the U.S. and India. A long-time valued partner of the East-West Center in India, USEFI has a distinguished record of serving the Center in India and promoting academic and cultural exchange. More than 1,900 Indian professionals, researchers and students have participated in Center programs since 1960, and I am confident that this conference will strengthen the Center's links with its alumni and with the region.

This is an exciting time to be holding a conference in India, and I hope you will take the time to explore this fascinating country, enjoy its cultural richness and diversity, and observe its many economic, technological and other achievements.

I also hope you will note that U.S.-India relations are going through a period of dynamic positive change. Our two nations are elevating their relations on all fronts. Trade is increasing. More people are traveling between our countries than ever before for study, work and vacations. Our two governments and private sectors are discussing bold initiatives in many areas. As the U.S.-India relationship expands, people-to-people ties and educational partnerships will increase, and institutions like the East-West Center will play an important role in fostering more interchange.

[Signature]
David C. Mulford
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Message from the Conference Chair

Namaste,

Welcome to Delhi, India. It is a great pleasure to host the EWC/EWCA South Asia Regional Conference. I feel honored that a galaxy of contributors, guests and alumni members from South Asia and other places in the world are participating and will provide status and color to the three day interactions. The conference promises to be a testimony to its theme, ‘Building the South Asian Community in a Global Context.’

I am very appreciative of the role played by USEFI in putting things together and sponsoring the conference. I wish to express my sincere thanks to Jane E. Schukoske, the Executive Director USEFI for her support.

The conference will explore major issues facing South Asia and consider ways to assist their resolutions. I would like to express my hearty gratitude to all the contributors, chairs and co-chairs of the sessions for working towards the success of the conference. My sincere thanks to the Program Committee Chair, Dr. Indira Kapoor and her team for shaping the program. I wish to also acknowledge the efforts and sincerity of all the EWCA Delhi Chapter Office bearers in contributing towards making the conference happen. My very special thanks to Prof. Aslam Mahmood, the Vice Chair of the Conference and Vice President of the EWCA Delhi Chapter; Dr. Jay Prakash, Chapter Secretary and Poster Committee Chair; Mr. Rakesh Chaudhury, Hospitality Committee Chair; Prof. Kuldip Mathur, Program Brochure Chair; Mr. Ranjan Roy, Media Committee Chair; Dr. Sudesh Nangia, Registration Committee Chair and Mr. Kewal Sony, Chapter Treasurer. The planning of the conference required special financial skills and I am very grateful to Mr. I P Singh, the Conference Treasurer for his support.

There have been some who have worked behind the scene, guiding, giving suggestions and providing moral support. I thank all the members of the EWCA Delhi Chapter Advisory Board and Mr. A Seshan, EWCA Vice President for being there for me always. My deep felt gratitude to Dan Berman, Special Representative for South Asia Office of the President East-West Center for taking over many responsibilities of organizing the conference. I wish to thank Gordon Ring, EWC Alumni Officer for his coordinating skills and Carolyn Eguchi, Noreen Tanouye from EWC Hawaii and Noora Micheal from Delhi for their assistance with everything. I also take this opportunity of thanking all the EWCA Chapter Leaders for their contributions towards the conference and my special gratitude to Dr. Muhammad Ibrahim.

I would also like to thank the Hospitality Team of India Habitat Centre and India International Centre for their help with coordinating the event on their premises and Mr. Swadesh Kumar, Managing Director of Shikhar Travels, the conference authorized travel agency for taking care of travel, sightseeing and lodging of participants.

My very special ‘thank you’ to all who are part of the EWC/EWCA South Asia Regional Conference. I look forward to meaningful interactions and a great time.

Mala Kapur Shankardass, President, EWCA Delhi Chapter
OVERVIEW OF THE CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 16, 2005 (WEDNESDAY)

REGISTRATION:
8:00am–12noon
India International Centre (IIC) – Auditorium Reception Area

SESSION 1 (PLENARY):
9:30am–10:45am
IIC Auditorium,
“Inauguration of EWC South Asia Regional Conference”
Master of Ceremonies – Tarun Das

TEA/COFFEE BREAK:
10:45am–11:15am
IIC Auditorium Reception Area

SESSION 2 (PLENARY):
11:15am–12noon
IIC Auditorium,
“EWC/EWCA Reports”
Charles E. Morrison, EWC President – Keynote Address

SESSION 3 (PLENARY):
12noon–1:00pm
IIC Auditorium
“EWC and the Future of Collaborations – EWC and Indian Models”

VENUE SHIFT TO INDIA HABITAT CENTRE (IHC)
1:00pm
Bus service available from IIC to IHC

LUNCH:
1:15–2:00pm
IHC Foyer area outside the Theatre

SESSION 4 (PLENARY):
2:00–3:15pm
IHC, The Theatre
“Health Challenges in South Asia”

TEA/COFFEE BREAK:
3:30–4:00pm
IHC Foyer area outside the Theatre

SESSION 5 (PLENARY):
3:15–4:30pm
IHC, The Theatre,
“Disaster Management/Environmental Changes”

SESSIONS 6 (CONCURRENT):
4:45–6:00pm
IHC
Panel A
“Gender Issues” (Rudraksh Hall)
Panel B
“Economic Development” (Amaltas Hall)
Panel C
“HIV/AIDS and Related Issues” (Kadamba Hall)

VENUE SHIFT TO INDIA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE (IIC)
6:30pm
Bus service available from IIC to IHC

DINNER:
7:30pm
Annex Lawns and Rock Garden of IIC

9:30pm
Bus service available from IIC to lodging

NOVEMBER 17, 2005 (THURSDAY)

SESSION 7 (PLENARY):
9:30–10:45am
IHC, The Theatre
“South Asia’s Energy and Environment in a Global Context”

TEA/COFFEE BREAK:
10:45–11:15am
IHC Foyer area outside the Theatre

SESSION 8 (PLENARY):
11:15am–1:00pm

LUNCH:
1:00–2:00pm
IHC Foyer area outside the Theatre

SESSION 10 (PLENARY):
4:00–5:30pm
IHC, The Theatre
“Population and Demographic Transition”

FREE NIGHT

NOVEMBER 18, 2005 (FRIDAY)

SESSION 11 (PLENARY):
9:30–10:45am
IHC, The Theatre
“Media – Reporting Conflict”

TEA/COFFEE BREAK:
10:45–11:15am
IHC Foyer area outside the Theatre

SESSIONS 12 (CONCURRENT):
11:15am–1:00pm
IHC
Panel A
“Macro and Micro Political Elements in South Asia” (Rudraksh Hall)
Panel B
“Gender and Education Issues” (Amaltas Hall)
Panel C
“Understanding Cultural Components in Building South Asian Community” (Kadamba Hall)

VENUE SHIFT TO INDIA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE (IIC)
6:30pm
Bus service available from IHC to IIC

DINNER:
7:30pm
Annex Lawns and Rock Garden of IIC

9:30pm
Bus service available from IIC to lodging

SESSION 13 (PLENARY):
2:00–3:15pm
IHC, The Theatre
“Planning for Regional and Local Change”

TEA/COFFEE BREAK:
3:30–4:00pm
IHC Foyer area outside the Theatre

SESSION 14 (PLENARY):
3:45–5:00pm
IHC, The Theatre
“Education: Thinking, Dreaming, and Examining Paradigms Outside the Lines of Contemporary Systems”

SESSION 15 (PLENARY):
5:00–6:30pm
IHC, The Theatre
“Taking the Conference Forward: A Roundtable Discussion”

ALOHA NIGHT DINNER:
7:30–10:30pm
USEFI Lawn

10:30pm
Buses available from USEFI to lodging

SPECIAL POSTER SESSION:
1:45–4:15pm
IHC
“Reports on Research in Health Related Fields”

SESSIONS 9 (CONCURRENT):
2:00–3:30pm
Panel A
“Perspectives on the Burgeoning Non-Print Media (TV, Internet)” (Rudraksh Hall)
Panel B
“Art and Culture – Changing Images in South Asia” (Amaltas Hall)
Panel C
“Past and Present Governmental Policies and Their Impact on South Asia” (Kadamba Hall)

TEA/COFFEE BREAK:
3:30–4:00pm
IHC Foyer area outside the Theatre

SESSION 10 (PLENARY):
4:00–5:30pm
IHC, The Theatre
“Population and Demographic Transition”

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9:30–10:45am
PLENARY SESSION 7
(IHC, The Theatre)

SOUTH ASIA’S ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT IN A GLOBAL CONTEXT

Chair: Toufiq A. Siddiqi, President, GEE-21 and Adjunct Senior Fellow, EWC, USA

Prodip Ghosh, Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Government of India, India, “Meeting South Asia’s Environmental Challenges”

Raj Sachdev, Former Advisor (Coal) to the Government of India, and Member, International Coal Preparation Congress, India, “Meeting India’s Energy Needs for the Next 20 Years”

Ligia Noronha, Director, Resources and Security Division, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), India, “Globalization, Environment and Development”

Toufiq A. Siddiqi, President, GEE-21 and Adjunct Senior Fellow, EWC, USA, “The Proposed Iran-Pakistan-India Pipeline: Intersection of Energy, Environment and Politics”

10:45–11:15am
TEA/COFFEE BREAK
(IHC Foyer area outside the Theatre)

11:15am–1:00pm
PLENARY SESSION 8
(IHC, The Theatre)

SECURITY ISSUES

Chair: Muthiah Alagappa, Director, EWC Washington, USA

S.D. Muni, Professor, JNU, India, “Internal Conflicts in Nepal and Sri Lanka”

Radha Kumar, Professor of Peace and Conflict Resolution, Jamia Millia University, India, “India Perspective on Peace Process”

Rashid Ahmad Khan, Senior Research Fellow, Islamabad Policy Research Institute, Pakistan, “Pakistan Perspective on Peace Process”

Geoffrey Pyatt, Political Counselor, U.S. Embassy, New Delhi, USA, “U.S. Policy Towards South Asia”

K. Subrahmanyan, India, “India’s Strategic Perspective”

1:00–2:00pm
LUNCH
(IHC Foyer area outside the Theatre)

1:45–4:15pm
SPECIAL POSTER SESSION
(IHC)

Pravin K. Jha, Researcher, Plan International, India, “Urban Averages Mask the Poor Condition of RCH: Evidences from Analysis of NFHS 2 Data by Standard of Living Index”

Joyti Hallad, Research Investigator, Population Research Centre, Dharward, India and C.G. Khan Hussain, Department of Anthropology, Karnataka University, Dharward, India, “Health Concerns of Women Before and After Menopause in Rural North Karnataka, India”

Abhay Kumar, Doctoral Scholar, CSRD/ School of Social Sciences/JNU, India, “Aging Population in a Less and a High Developed State of India”


Mary P. Sebastian, Program Officer, FRONTIERS Program, Population Council, New Delhi, India, Shiv Kumar and M.E. Khan, “Who is a Better Provider of Emergency Contraceptive Pills in Rural Setting: Doctor or Paramedics?”


Panchapakesan Subramaniam, Director, Centre for Development and Training, “Work of the Vidya Vrisha in Developing Skills for the Visually Impaired”

Arvind Pandey, Director, Mariamma Thomas, Assistant Director, Rehena Sultana, and Jyoti Kumari, Institute for Research in Medical Statistics, New Delhi, India, “A Comparative Study of Incubation Distribution and Incidence Curves for HIV/AIDS in India Applying Different Back Calculation Models”
2:00–3:30pm  CONCURRENT SESSIONS 9

PANEL A  PERSPECTIVE ON THE BURGEONING NON-PRINT MEDIA (TV, INTERNET)  
(IHC Rudraksh Hall)

Chair: Amitabh Chakraborty

Mujtaba Ali Syed, Senior Editorial Staff, Chennai Online, India,  
"Internet News — A Case Study of Chennai Online"

Vishnu Som, NDTV Anchor

Mritunjoy Kumar Jah, India Today, India  
Psyche Batool, Pakistan TV, Pakistan

PANEL B  ART & CULTURE – CHANGING IMAGES IN SOUTH ASIA  
(IHC Amaltas Hall)

Chair: Arfa Zehra, Retired Professor of History and TV Documentary Producer, Lahore, Pakistan

Khaleda Rashid, Professor, Department of Architecture, BUET, Bangladesh,  
"Art, Architecture and Culture: Resources of Community Environment, Bangladesh Perspective"

Nachiket Patwardhan, Architect and Film Maker (Cinema) and  
Jayoo Patwardhan, India,  
"Indigenous Cultures and Globalization"

Arjumand Faisel, MD,  
"Contemporary Art in Pakistan — Fusion of Traditions and Present Dynamics"

Michael Schuster, Curator, EWC Gallery,  
"Presenting South and Southeast Asian Arts to a Diverse Audience"

PANEL C  PAST AND PRESENT GOVERNMENTAL POLICIES AND THEIR IMPACT ON SOUTH ASIA  
(IHC Kadamba Hall)

Chair: Ekramul Ahsan, Independent Consultant and Researcher, Bangladesh

Manzoor A. Khalidi, Assistant Professor, Institute of Business Administration Main Campus, Karachi University, Karachi, Pakistan,  
"A Deconstructive Analysis of the South Asian Community in a Global Context"

3:30–4:00pm  TEA/COFFEE BREAK  
(IHC Foyer area outside the Theatre)

4:00–5:30pm  PLENARY SESSION 10  
(IHC, The Theatre)

POPULATION AND DEMOGRAPHIC TRANSITION

Chairs: Ubaidur Rob, Country Director, Population Council, South & East Asia-Bangladesh Office, Bangladesh and Indira Kapoor, MD, Independent Consultant (Sexual Reproductive Health), India

Mehtab Karim, Professor of Demography and Head of Reproductive Health Program, Aga Khan University, Pakistan,  
"Prospects for Further Demographic Transition in South Asia"

A.R. Nanda, Director, Population Foundation of India, India,  
"New Paradigms in Population Programs"

Sudha Tewari, Managing Director, Parivar Seva Sanstha Reproductive Health Services, New Delhi, India,  
"Importance of Family Planning Programmes in South Asia"

5:45pm  Bus service available from IHC to various lodging venues

FREE NIGHT
November 18, 2005 (Friday)

9:00am
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9:30–10:45am
PLENARY SESSION 11
(IHC, The Theatre)

MEDIA — REPORTING CONFLICT
Chair: Karen Knudsen, EWC Director of External Affairs, USA
Monjurul Bulbul, Executive Editor, The Daily Sangbad, Bangladesh, “Journalism Facing Threats”
Naveed Rana, Staff Correspondent, The News, Pakistan
Ranjan Roy, Times News Network at Times of India, India
Deanna Sands, Omaha World Herald, Omaha, Nebraska, USA, President of the Associated Press Managing Editor, USA
Raj Chengappa, Managing Editor, India Today, India

Dilip Padgannonkar, Former Editor, Times of India, India

10:45–11:15am
TEA/COFFEE BREAK
(IHC Foyer area outside the Theatre)

11:15am–1:00pm
CONCURRENT SESSIONS 12

PANEL A
MACRO AND MICRO POLITICAL ELEMENTS IN SOUTH ASIA
(IHC Rudraksh Hall)
Chair: Pemanda Belliappa, President, EWCA Chennai Chapter, Retired IA, and Consultant, India
Geetha Reddy Anant, Faculty Member in the Centre for Indian Ocean Studies, Osmania University, India, “South Asia — Security Perspectives Implications for Development”
Sivaramakrishnan Rajan, Project Director, National Centre for Antarctic and Ocean Research, Goa, India, N. Vijayalaxmi, “Ocean Governance in a Post UNCLOS World — the South Asian Perspective”
B.N. Makhija, Chairperson of Credibility Alliance, India, “Governance in the Voluntary Sector”

PANEL B
GENDER AND EDUCATION ISSUES
(IHC Amaltas Hall)
Chair: Madavi Panda, Senior Research Programmer, Human Resource Development Centre
Rosie Majid Ahsan, Professor, Department of Geography and Environment, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh and Moushumi Das Purkayastha, Managing Director, Crystal Wave, Bangladesh, “Predicament of the Silent Gender: Trafficking of Women in Bangladesh”
Mary Philip Sebastian, Program Officer, Population Council, New Delhi, India and Shahina Begum, Research Fellow, Department of Bio-Statistics, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, India, “Factors Shaping Gender-Role Attitudes Among Adolescent Girls in Urban Slums of Allahabad, India”
Renu Singh, Director, School of Rehabilitation Sciences, New Delhi, India, “Charting the Way Forward — Inclusive Education in the New Millennium”

PANEL C
UNDERSTANDING CULTURAL COMPONENTS IN BUILDING SOUTH ASIAN COMMUNITY
(IHC Kadamba Hall)
Chair: Muhammad Ibrahim, Research Agriculturist, Pakistan
Yasmin Farooqui, Professor of Applied Psychology at University of Punjab, Pakistan, “Understanding Islamic Perspective of Mental Health and Psychotherapy”
Jagadish Sharma, Chairman, Comm. Inc., Nepal, “Self Realization: The Key to Education in the Age of Knowledge”
Kanikar Sookasame, Associate Professor, School of Applied Statistics, National Institute of Development Administration, Thailand, “Life Satisfaction and Quality of Life of Urban Population in Central Thailand”
R.J. Yadav, Deputy Director, Arvind Pandey, Director, Institute for Research in Medical Statistics, ICMR, India, and Padam Singh, “Utilization of Indigenous Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy in India”
Thakur Singh Powdyel, Director, Centre for Educational Research & Development, Rinpung, NIE, Paro, Bhutan, “Globalization: the Forgotten Phase”
2:00–3:15pm  PLENARY SESSION 13  
(IHC, The Theatre)  
PLANNING FOR REGIONAL AND LOCAL CHANGE  
Chair: Shankar Prasad Sharma, Vice Chairman of the National Planning Commission, Nepal  
W. Siriwardena, Managing Director, PWCC, Ltd., Urban Planning Commission – Colombo, Sri Lanka  
Panchapakesan Subramaniyam, Director of the Centre for Development Research and Training, Chennai and Consultant to the World Bank, India, "What Ails Development?"  
Omkar Shrestha, Principal Programs Specialist and Head of the Programming Unit in the Coordination Division, South Asia, Asian Development Bank, Philippines, "With South Asia Changing, Are Multilateral Development Banks Changing Fast Enough?"  
Aslam Mahmood, Professor, JNU, India, "Recent Trends in Urbanisation, Migration and Development in Uttar Pradesh"  
3:15–3:45pm  TEA/COFFEE BREAK  
(IHC Foyer area outside the Theatre)  
3:45–5:00pm  PLENARY SESSION 14  
(IHC, The Theatre)  
EDUCATION: THINKING, DREAMING AND EXAMINING PARADIGMS OUTSIDE THE LINES OF CONTEMPORARY SYSTEMS  
Chair: Terance Bigalke, EWC Director of Education  
Kamalakanta Biswal, Project Fellow, National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration, New Delhi, India  
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Discussant: Kuldeep Mathur, Former Rector of JNU, Director of National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration, and Professor of Political Science JNU, India  
5:00–6:30pm  PLENARY SESSION 15  
(IHC, The Theatre)  
TAKING THE CONFERENCE FORWARD: A ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION  
Chair: Dan Berman, EWC Special Representative, Office of the President, USA  
Gordon Ring, EWC Alumni Officer, USA  
Muhammad Ibrahim, EWCA South Asia Regional Coordinator, Pakistan  
Khaleda Rashid, EWCA Vice President for Programs, Professor, BUET, Bangladesh  
Charles E. Morrison, EWC President, USA  
Participant's Vision of Future EWC's Projects:  
I.V. Murali Krishna, Professor and Head, Centre for Spatial Information Technology, JNTU, Hyderabad, India, "Geospatial Technologies and Their Integration with Socio Economic Factors for Sustainable Regional Development in Global Context"  
6:45pm  Venue shift to: United States Educational Foundation in India — USEFI  
Bus service available from IHC to USEFI  
7:30–10:30pm  ALOHA NIGHT DINNER  
USEFI (lawn)  
10:30pm  Bus service available from USEFI to various lodging venues
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2004 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
Since its establishment 45 years ago, the East-West Center has built its own Asia Pacific community rich in diversity and dedicated to the pursuit of regional understanding. Much of the credit for the strength and cohesion of the EWC network belongs to the East-West Center Association, whose alumni chapters are the life-blood of this dynamic and expanding membership.

More than 375 East-West Center alumni from 25 countries met in Tokyo, Japan, last summer for the EWC/East-West Center Association 2004 International Conference. Held for only the second time in Japan, the gathering provided alumni with a unique opportunity to demonstrate their connection to the Center, friends and professional colleagues throughout the region, while engaging in an academically rich experience.

The academic core of the conference featured plenary sessions grouped under the theme, “New Challenges for Building an Asia Pacific Community.” Topics included the Japanese recession and its impact on the region, the changing dynamic of international relations, and education initiatives in the twenty-first century. Panel presentations and roundtable discussions addressed a number of significant regional issues, including economic integration, women’s issues, the challenges of aging populations, information technology and economic and security developments.

The conference included a training program for alumni chapter leaders to hone leadership skills and better serve their members. Participants addressed the challenges of serving alumni of all age groups. Other topics included recruitment for EWC programs and the support of student scholarships.

University of Hawai’i Interim President David McClain spoke of the strong connection between UH and the East-West Center and cooperative programs that have benefited alumni of both institutions.

Overall, it was an emotional time for many alumni, who reflected on their connection to the East-West Center and its significance in their personal and professional development. Many expressed support for the Center in the form of monetary pledges, including alumni from the 1960s, who raised nearly a quarter of a million dollars for a scholarship endowment fund.
The East-West Center was established by the United States Congress in 1960 to “promote better relations and understanding between the United States and the nations of Asia and the Pacific through cooperative study, training and research.” To support this mission, the Center’s programs focus around a specific institutional goal — to assist in creating an Asia Pacific community. Research, dialogue, educational activities and public outreach incorporate both the Center’s mission and the programmatic focus of building an Asia Pacific Community.

The Center works to strengthen relations in the region and serves as a national and regional resource for information and analysis on Asia and the Pacific. It provides a meeting ground where people with a wide range of perspectives exchange views on topics of regional concern. Center staff members work with collaborating institutions and specialists from throughout the region. Since its founding more than 50,000 people have participated in Center programs. Many of these participants now occupy key positions in government, business, journalism and education in the region.

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Located in Honolulu, three miles from Waikiki and adjacent to the University of Hawai‘i, the Center’s 21-acre campus includes conference facilities, a research and administration office building and three residential halls.

The Center’s Hawai‘i Imin International Conference Center at Jefferson Hall is available for meetings of 10 to 300 persons. The Imin Center, which includes a large auditorium, conference and meeting rooms and dining facilities, is equipped for simultaneous translation, teleconferencing and closed-circuit television.