FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

Nowadays, industrial fibres of natural (various types of asbestos) and synthetic origin (glass fibre, basalt fibre, ceramic fibre, etc.) are used practically everywhere.

It is difficult to mention other hygienic factor, which can attract such great attention of specialists in occupational medicine, related branches of science, mass media, many respective organizations (World Health Organization, International Labour Organization, International Insurance Association, International Program on Chemicals Safety).

In the process of discussing the problem of chrysotile asbestos reference to Annex 3, taking place at the 5th Conference of Parties of the Rotterdam Convention concerning the procedure of the prior informed consent on selected dangerous chemicals and pesticides in the international trade (June 19-25, 2011, Geneva, Switzerland) one of delegations proposed to conduct a scientific conference in order to make a grounded decision in respect of the problem concerned at the 6th Conference of Parties.

With this in view, we have the honor to invite you to take part in the International scientific conference

"CHRYSOTILE ASBESTOS: ASSESSMENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT"

Main problems to be discussed at the Conference:

- Epidemiology of asbestos-related diseases;
- Modern data on the comparative risk assessment in exposures to different types of asbestos;
- Modern studies on assessment of exposure levels of asbestos fibres in different conditions (occupational and non-occupational exposures);
- Diagnostics of asbestos-related diseases, establishing the relation of a diseases and the exposure;
- Modern approaches to earlier detection of asbestos-related diseases;
- Modern approaches to risk management due to exposures to asbestos and to its derivatives.

Venue for the Conference: November 21-22, 2012, Kiev (Ukraine), Institute for Occupational Health of NAMS of Ukraine

The Conference will be held in English and Russian.

In the case you are planning to take part in the Conference, please fill in the application form and send it to the address of the Organizing Committee of the Conference no later than **May 31, 2012.**

Theses to reports

Theses to reports will be considered for compiling a scientific program of the Conference and their publication in the collected papers of the Conference.

Requirements to theses: 1 page, 1 interval, Times New Roman 12, upper margin 2 cm, lower - 2 cm, left - 2 cm, right - 2 cm.

The title of the theses should be written in capital letters, than interval, names and initials of authors, institution, city, country, interval 2 and the rest text.

The dead line – June 15, 2012.

Please send Registration forms and theses to the address: abestosconf@ukr.net, dalexandra@ukr.net

Organization fee

The participants of the Conference are free of paying the registration fee. For observers (members of social organizations, etc.) the registration fee is **250 Euro.**

You are welcome to the Conference!