

# The 2014 inFIRE Annual Conference Notice

May 6-8, 2014

*The focus of the international network for Fire Information and Reference Exchange (inFIRE) is on resource sharing among member organizations and other fire emergency related organizations at the inFIRE annual conference, where presentations on fire emergency information management, fire emergency research, new technologies and trends in the field of fire emergency service facilitate information sharing, information exchange, professional development and networking opportunities. Since 1986, the conference has been successfully held in the U.S., Canada, UK, Sweden, Australia and other countries on 27 occasions, which had a far-reaching impact on the field.*

*The 2014 inFIRE Annual Conference will be held in China for the first time, and Sun Yat-Sen University (Guangdong Provincial Key Laboratory of Fire Science and Technology) and the Illinois Fire Service Institute at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign will co-host the conference with the assistance from the Department of Civil and Architectural Engineering, City University of Hong Kong. Famous scholars, experts and entrepreneurs from around the world will be invited to give talks on present status and future developments in areas of new information, new technology and new equipment in the fire emergency service.*

## **1. Conference Program:**

*This conference program includes keynote speeches, subject reports and workshops, and exhibits of new equipment and new technologies.*

- ✧ **Theme:** *New Information, New Technology and New Equipment: Issues and Challenges in the Fire Emergency Service of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.*
- ✧ **Sub-topics include (but are not limited to):**
  - ✓ *The challenges in the fire emergency service field*
  - ✓ *The latest information in the fire emergency service field*
  - ✓ *The fire emergency service development presently and developing trends*
  - ✓ *The latest technologies in the fire emergency service field*
  - ✓ *The latest firefighting equipment and technologies*
- ✧ **Subject reports and workshops**
- ✧ **Exhibits:** *New fire emergency equipment and new technologies*

## **2. Time and Place**

**Place:** *Guangzhou, China*

**Date:** *May or June 2014*

*Conference Details: 3 days with a half day as optional tour of the city and fire organizations. More details of the conference will be provided in the conference announcement in January 2014. Please stay tuned.*

**Co-Organizers:** *Sun Yat-Sen University and the Illinois Fire Service Institute at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*

**Assisting Organizer:** *Department of Civil and Architectural Engineering, City University of Hong Kong*

*Co-Hosts: Guangdong Provincial Key Laboratory of Fire Science and Technology and Illinois Fire Service Institute, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*

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*Sun Yat-Sen University and the Illinois Fire Service Institute at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign sincerely welcome your participation in the Conference. Thanks for your attention and support. See you in Guangzhou, China!*

*Sun Yat-Sen University, Guangdong Provincial Key Laboratory of Fire  
Science and Technology*

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Champaign  
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