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SYMPOSIUM ON SNOW AND AVALANCHES
The International Symposium on Snow and Avalanches will take place in the International Congress Centre, Davos, Switzerland. It is being organized together with the Swiss Federal Institute for Snow and Avalanche Research SLF, Davos. Registration will be on 1 June 2003 and sessions held from 2–6 June 2003.

LOCAL INFORMATION
All sessions will be at International Congress Centre Davos, Promenade 92, CH-7270 Davos-Platz (Tel [41](0) 81-414-62-10; Fax [41](0) 81-414-66-29). The Congress Centre is situated in between Davos-Dorf and Davos-Platz, which are both served by bus and taxis. The distance from each station to the Centre is about 15 min. If you have not already booked accommodation, the Davos Tourist Office (Tel [41](0) 81-415-21-21; Fax [41](0) 81-415-21-69; congress@davos.ch) may be able to help.

Those staying at a hotel in Davos will be given a “Davos” Guest Card entitling them to free use of the Davos Transport Services Bus Lines, in accordance with the valid route plan within the Region of Davos, for the period of the card's validity.

REGISTRATION AND ICEBREAKER
Registration will take place in the Congress hall on Sunday, 1 June from 17:00 to 19:00. The registration desk will also be open at 07:30 on Monday, 2 June and throughout the week. Receipts and other materials will be distributed at registration. Your name tag is proof of your registration and should be worn at all events. The Icebreaker will be held in “Foyer C1” on Sunday evening from 18:00 to 19:00.

SESSIONS
All sessions will be in the Sanada auditorium at the International Congress Centre, Davos. The following equipment is available: 35 mm slide projectors set up for dual slides; overhead projectors; PC/video projectors (beamer); and technicians to help with installation. There will be a “preview room” close to the auditorium that presenters are encouraged to use. Those wishing to use a beamer should hand in a CD (with their presentation number and name attached) at the registration desk between 17:00 and 18:00 the evening BEFORE their presentation day.

a) Oral presentations:
Participants will have 15 min for their presentation and 5 min for discussion.

b) Posters:
Poster presenters will have TWO minutes for an oral presentation, and may use ONE viewgraph to summarize the essence of their poster: emphasis should be on why their particular poster is important and why participants should view it. Maximum poster size is A0 PORTRAIT (height 1189 mm = 46.81 inches; width 841 mm = 33.11 inches). Landscape formats cannot be accommodated. Posters should be set up as soon as possible on Monday morning in the space identified by their abstract number in the Foyer. The necessary materials for attaching the posters will be provided. Participants
will likely appreciate it if A4 copies (210 x 297 mm) of your poster are available for those interested.

MID-WEEK EXCURSION
Included in the registration fee is the cost of a mid-week excursion to SLF-test sites at Flüelapass, Alpenrose, the “Bunker” laboratory and to the SLF main building. Depending on weather conditions and the number of participants, there will be a variety of presentations, approx. 15 min each. Sign-up will be on Sunday, 1 June, during registration. Light hiking boots will be appropriate as the excursion is not on very rough terrain. However, a waterproof jacket is a must.

PRE/POST-SYMPOSIUM TOUR
Although no pre- or post-symposium group tours are planned, personal excursions may be arranged locally: see Davos website (www.davos.ch).

PUBLICATION
Refereed papers, accepted by the scientific editors, will be published as Annals of Glaciology, Volume 38, in 2004. All participants will receive a copy of this volume. Authors are expected to complete any necessary revisions to their papers within the month following the end of the symposium. Please ensure that you adhere to the Instructions to Authors issued previously. One HARD COPY of the final paper, DOUBLE-SPACED WITH WIDE MARGINS, with separate figure and table captions, and with all figures and tables added to the end of the paper, as well as any original art work, and a PC-FORMATTED DISKETTE OR CD CONTAINING THE ELECTRONIC VERSION OF THE PAPER AND FIGURES, must be submitted, through the appropriate editor, in time to arrive in Cambridge by 14 July 2003.

SOCIAL PROGRAMME
Sunday (17:00–19:00) Registration: Congress Centre
Sunday (18:00–19:00) Icebreaker: Congress Centre, “Foyer C1”
Wednesday afternoon Mid-week excursion
Thursday (start 19:30) Banquet: “Theater Hall”

ACCOMPANYING PERSONS
Those registered as accompanying persons may join all the events in the social programme.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE SYMPOSIUM MAY BE OBTAINED FROM:
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