**The 44th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics**

**First Circular and Call for Abstracts**

**March 18, 2011**

We are pleased to announce that the 44th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages & Linguistics will be held in Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore, India from 07th Oct to 09th Oct 2011.

The conference is hosted by the Central Institute of Indian Languages. Updated information on the conference, as well as copies of all circulars and other announcements will be sent to all the participants.

Intent to Participate

If you are considering attending the conference, whether you plan to present a paper or not, please e-mail us at **sinotibetan2k11@ yahoo.com** and indicate your intent to participate by **April 30, 2011**. This will help us to determine how many participants to plan for. We intend to make a list of participants and paper titles available on the web site in advance of the conference.

You may also add or remove your name from the conference email list by mailing to our mail-id.

Call for Abstracts

Papers are welcome on all aspects of linguistics in the Sino-Tibetan area. The deadline for abstracts is **June 30, 2011**.

Abstract format: Abstracts shall be limited to one page. Abstracts should be in English, or bilingual including English. At the top of the abstract please include the paper title, your name, institution, and email.

Abstract submission: If possible, please send abstracts as email attachments to sinotibetan2k11@yahoo.com. **Pdf** format is preferred. If pdf is not possible, Microsoft Word (.doc/docx) format is acceptable. Please embed the fonts in the word document. The file name should include both "icstll" and your last name, for example "icstll44\_sastry.pdf" or "icstll44\_sastry.doc/docx". If submission in electronic form is not possible, abstracts may instead be sent by regular mail to

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**Conference Language**

The language of conference presentations will be English. If you are unable to present in English, please make arrangements for English-language handouts and/or interpretation into English.

Registration

Information on registering for the conference will be included in the second circular, to be mailed out in May, 2011. We anticipate a registration fee of US $50 (US $20 for students) and a registration deadline of July 15, 2011. Both the cost and the deadline are subject to change. There will be a separate charge for the conference banquet and other meals. **We regret that we will be unable to accept late registrations**. Please plan accordingly.

Lodging

Accommodation will be arranged in the International Guest House and the Guest House attached to the Central Institute of Indian Languages. In addition, hotel accommodation will be secured if prior intimation is given to us.

Transportation

The nearest airport is Bengaluru International Airport, located 180 kms away from Mysore. Travel time from the airport to the venue is about 4 hrs in normal traffic conditions. There is a domestic airport at Mysore but the connectivity is very limited.

Visas

All non-Indian citizens who are attending the Conference need a visa to enter India. Please contact the Indian Consulate nearest to you for visa procedures.

When you [indicate your intent to participate](http://depts.washington.edu/icstll39/intent.phtml) in ICSTLL-44, you will be issued an official letter inviting you to the conference, which you can submit with your visa application.

Meals

The conference banquet will be held on Saturday evening, Oct. 08, 2011. There will be a separate charge for attending the banquet. We also plan to provide dinners on other nights of the conference for a small fee. There will be a Conference lunch and light refreshments for the participants at all conference sessions, provided by the organisers. Breakfast will be available at your place of stay.

Further details on meals will be included in the second or third circular.

**Email List**

If you received this circular directly from sinotibetan2k11@yahoo.com, then you are already on the conference email list. Please circulate this announcement to colleagues. If you did not receive this email directly from sinotibetan2k11@yahoo.com, please send in your email address so that you can receive future emails directly.

Welcome

We hope to see many of you in Mysore! If you have any questions about the conference, or suggestions for workshops, panels, or other activities, please contact G. Devi Prasada Sastry at sinotibetan2k11@yahoo.com.

For the ICSTLL-44 Organizing Committee

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