



Dear Dr. Chichilnisky,

Thank you for considering our invitation to be a part of the Water Planet Dialogue. The purpose of the Water Planet Dialogue is to explore the human relationship with water by convening a group of water experts from around the world in an innovative discussion on how to change our individual and collective attitude toward water.

To give you additional information about our key objectives, our dialogue format and our organization, we encourage you to review the attached draft overview. In addition, the attachment contains basis logistical information about travel, transportation and lodging that will answer some questions you may have. The Water Planet Dialogue is scheduled to take place at our Wye River Conference Center in Maryland starting at 4:00 PM on October 20 and ending at Noon on October 23, 2009. All Aspen Institute dialogue and seminar forums share a strongly held common belief: Effective leadership is a product of problem-solving through intentional dialogue, the discovery of shared values, and the search for significance ideas. In developing our meetings, participants are selected to represent a broad spectrum of perspectives and areas of expertise. Furthermore, the informal atmosphere of the meetings combined with trust and confidentiality ensure that innovative thinking and discussion about policy questions will occur.

Please let me know your availability to join us for this important seminar and please do not hesitate to contact me if you require additional information.

Best,

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