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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Asia-Oceania Working Party
Subject:	Conference on Asia-Europe Sustainable Connectivity (AESCON 2020), 26-28 February 2020, Singapore

EEAS would like to inform delegations about an upcoming academic **conference on Asia-Europe Sustainable Connectivity**, called AESCON 2020 that the EEAS is assisting the European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) to organise with its partners.

AESCON will be held in Singapore on February 26-28 February, 2020 and is organised jointly by the European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC), the Asia-Europe Foundation, the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia and the Center for China and Globalization. It aims to bring together researchers and policy analysts working in the field of international connectivity, globalisation and their impacts on sustainable development, with a particular focus on Asia-Europe connections. The conference will focus on global challenges associated to connectivity, such as transport infrastructure, energy transition, climate change, digital economy, trade and investment flows, security, people mobility, cultural exchanges, among others.

Therefore, we would very much appreciate your help in publicising AESCON to any **universities, research institutes, researchers, interested policy-makers and think-tanks** that you may have in your network. The success of AESCON depends on reaching a broad audience of researchers. Please find attached a promotional pack which includes various material that might be useful in promoting the conference, including a sample email to send to any interested contacts.

The **call for abstracts**, to present research at the conference, is now open.

For more information, please see:

- Website of the conference: www.aecon.org
- Call for abstracts and submission: <https://www.aecon.org/call-for-abstracts/>
- Link to Science Hub event: <https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/event/conference/asia-europe-sustainable-connectivity-scientific-conference>

With warm regards and thanks for your help,

EEAS ASEM Team

3 Ways to Promote AESCON

01 Announce AESCON in your website and newsletter

Sample text

AESCON is the first scientific conference on Asia-Europe sustainable connectivity, bringing together researchers and policy analysts working in the field of international connectivity, globalization and their impacts on sustainable development, with a particular focus on Asia-Europe connections. At a time of increasing connectivity, the conference aims to provide an academic forum to discuss global challenges on transport infrastructure, energy transition, climate change, digital economy, trade and investment flows, security, people mobility, cultural exchanges, among others.

The conference will be used as an open platform for debate on sustainable connectivity, to spur future research linked to policy needs and to build a network of Asia-Europe researchers working on sustainable connectivity. AESCON will be anchored by contributions from researchers on themes related to Asia-Europe sustainable connectivity and by keynote presentations.

Participants are welcome to submit their contributions via the Call for Abstracts at www.aecon.org AESCON welcomes original research on international connectivity and globalisation and its links to sustainable development, with a particular focus on the Asia-Europe context.

02 Promote AESCON in your social media channels

Conference Hashtag

#AESCON2020

Organising Partners

JRC: @EU_ScienceHub | ASEF: @aseforg | ERIA: @ERIAorg | CCG: @CCG_org



Invite your network to submit abstracts

Sample e-mail

Subject line: Invitation to submit an Abstract to AESCON – Asia-Europe Sustainable Connectivity Scientific Conference

Dear colleague,

The Asia-Europe Sustainable Connectivity Scientific Conference ([AESCON](#)) will be held in Singapore on February 26-28 February, 2020 hosted by the European Commission's Joint Research Centre, the Asia-Europe Foundation, the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia and the Center for China and Globalization.

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We would like to invite you to submit an abstract to AESCON. Abstracts must be submitted via the online submission system at www.aecon.org Please note that abstract applications will not be accepted by e-mail. All abstracts will be reviewed by members of the Scientific Committee. Following review, authors will be notified of their abstracts acceptance – if accepted, authors will be invited to submit an extended abstract and to present their research at AESCON. All extended abstracts will be published in the conference proceedings.

In case you might have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the organisers by e-mail to info@aecon.org

Yours sincerely,

[Name]