Asian World City
Hong Kong is Asia’s World City, located in the heart of Asia with excellent transport, well-established telecommunications and world-class conference facilities.

Political Stability and Safety
Hong Kong is one of the world’s three safest cities. We have the lowest crime rates in all major cities around the world.

Easily Accessible by Flights
Hong Kong is a major transportation hub located at the heart of Asia. There are over 60 international airlines serving over 130 destinations worldwide. More than 50% of the world’s population is within 5 hours’ flying time of Hong Kong. The state-of-the-art Hong Kong International Airport at Chek Lap Kok operates 24 hours a day.

Ease of Entry
Hong Kong has a liberal visa policy. Nationals from more than 170 countries can visit Hong Kong visa free.

Exceptional Hotel Facilities
Hong Kong has an extensive network of hotels ranging from superior deluxe to modest tourist class. Currently, there are over 57,000 rooms in 158 hotels. Given Hong Kong reputation for exceptional standards in hospitality, the accommodation promises to be more than “just a room for the night”.

Unparalleled Shoppers’ Paradise
Hong Kong offers some of the best shopping in the world. The value, variety and quality service area unparalleled and there is no sales tax or value-added tax.

Business Gateway to Mainland China
The proximity between Hong Kong and Mainland China and the relaxation measures of entry requirements to Hong Kong for Mainland visitors provide a convenient platform for overseas professionals to meet with their Chinese counterparts in Hong Kong for active exchanges.

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Welcome to ACOUSTICS 2012 HONG KONG

The Hong Kong Institute of Acoustics (HKIOA), the Acoustical Society of America (ASA), the Acoustical Society of China (ASC) and the Western Pacific Commission for Acoustics (WESPAC) are pleased to invite you to Hong Kong for the ACOUSTICS 2012 HONG KONG conference and exhibition. This joint meeting will take place at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre from 13 to 18 May, 2012 (Sunday to Friday). Some 1,500 professionals around the world would attend and exchange the latest advancements in all fields of acoustics.

Host Organisation
The Hong Kong Institute of Acoustics

Co-Organisers
The Acoustical Society of America
The Acoustical Society of China
The Western Pacific Commission for Acoustics

The Technical Programme
The technical programme would be a 14 parallel-session arrangement and start in the morning of 14 May 2012 for 5 full days until the afternoon of 18 May 2012. It covers all fields of acoustics including but not limited to the following:

- Psychological and Physiological Acoustics
- Signal Processing in Acoustics
- Speech Communication
- Structural Acoustics and Vibration
- Underwater Acoustics
- Transportation Noise
- Legislation and Standards
- Noise Economics
- Noise/Vibration
- Prediction and Modelling
- Active Noise Control
- Active Vibration Control
- Measurement and Instrumentation
- Sound Quality
- Ultrasound
- Wind Turbine Noise
- Soundscape
- Noise mapping

Technical Exhibition
A dedicated exhibition space will be provided to display the latest technology and services in the areas of noise and vibration control; measurement and instrumentation. The exhibition area will be the focal point for coffee and refreshments during breaks. The exhibition will open tentatively on:

- 14 May 2012 (Monday) 2:00 pm to 6:30 pm
- 15 May 2012 (Tuesday) 9:30 am to 6:30 pm
- 16 May 2012 (Wednesday) 9:30 am to 4:30 pm

Key Dates
Dates of submissions and registration (tentative subject to confirmation):

- 15 Nov 2011 – deadline of abstract submission;
- 15 Dec 2011 – notification of acceptance of Abstracts

Registration Fees
Delegate USD 800 USD 700 (early bird)
Student USD 350 USD 300 (early bird)
Accompanying Person USD 150

Registration fee does not include attending conference banquet.

Conference Venue
The Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (HKCEC) is one of the largest purpose-built complexes in Asia. Conveniently located downtown, the HKCEC has rental space totalling 70,000 sq meters, comprising 5 exhibition halls, 2 ballroom style convention halls, 2 adjacent convention foyers, 52 meeting rooms and 2 theatres. The spacious atrium and ancillary area can be used for pre-function gathering and supporting amenities. The HKCEC is also linked to two hotels: the Grand Hyatt Hong Kong and the Renaissance Harbour View Hotel, Hong Kong by covered footbridges and walkways. In addition to a total over 1,400 rooms available at the Grand Hyatt and the Renaissance Harbour View, there are over 5,000 hotel rooms available within 5 to 15 minutes walking distance to the HKCEC. Subway transport is only minutes away, and it serves Hong Kong’s major urban areas. The airport can readily be reached by road or express rail link in 30 minutes.

Key Points for Hosting the Joint Meeting in Hong Kong
Similar to other metropolitan cities, Hong Kong is of no exception that traffic noise has become the most severe environmental noise problem that affects large number of citizens. The Hong Kong Government is very determined and numbers of proactive and effective measures are in place to keep traffic noise at bay. Such efforts provide good materials for sharing with the participants from all over the world.