



# Fulbright Scholars – Energy & Innovation

Third Annual FAST Conference  
Boston, MA February 14-17, 2008

Organized by the Fulbright Academy  
Of Science & Technology (FAST)

## **Our Annual Conference:**

The theme for 2008 is “Energy & Innovation.” Under this broad theme, FAST is expecting experts in engineering, natural and social sciences, architecture, technology, public health, public policy, and individuals whose personal or business interests relate to those fields. The conference program is designed for Fulbright alumni, hosts, and friends, but registration is open to the public. The meeting is limited to 200 people, and at least 20 nationalities are expected.

The conference will have programs that examine how science, technology, and other innovations are being used toward meeting the energy needs of society. Attendees come from fields such as:

- energy & sustainable development – architecture, design, geography, engineering
- life sciences – microbiology, medicine, nursing and ecology
- social sciences – sociology and economics/economic development
- science-related fields – law, technology, business, journalism

In addition to the Energy focus, workshops on other science-related topics will take place during the conference. Such topics will also be addressed during the tours and at theme-oriented tables during the meals. In addition, we have a poster session where Fulbrighters past and present may present their research. Northeastern University is our lead host, with additional programs planned at Boston University, Harvard and local museums and institutions. Our session on Sunday morning is at the AAAS meeting in the Hynes Center.

## **Selected Speakers:**

- Dr. Dan McCleese, Chief Scientist, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory
- Dr. Rita Colwell, Former Director, National Science Foundation
- Mr. Keith Ellenbogen, Visual artist & Instructor, Parsons School of Design
- Dr. Bruce Logan, Director, Hydrogen Energy Center, Pennsylvania State University
- Dr. David Lightfoot, Linguist & Deputy Director, National Science Foundation

## **Background on the FAST Conference:**

The FAST Annual Conference is organized by the Fulbright Academy of Science & Technology (FAST), a non-profit organization established by alumni of the Fulbright Exchange Program and others interested in science and technology innovation. FAST is an independently funded, membership organization. It is not affiliated with the Fulbright Association, US State Department or the entities involved in administering Fulbright exchanges.

The goal of our conferences is to ties among alumni, current grantees, Fulbright hosts, and others interested in science, innovation, and international exchange. These ties then lead to collaborative projects, research and new innovations. Worldwide, there are over 200,000 living Fulbright alumni, plus millions of others who hosted, worked with, or were taught by these Fulbrighters.

**Please join us in Boston.**

**[www.FulbrightAcademy.org](http://www.FulbrightAcademy.org)**

### **Registration & Pricing Information:**

Registration is \$425. This covers four meals, six coffee breaks and selected tours. There is a \$50 discount for members, with additional discounts for students, post-docs and other groups. For a slightly higher fee, your institution can become a member and/or exhibitor – call 207-799-3098 for details on sponsorships. All speakers and other presenters are expected to register. FAST typically does not award grants for travel and accommodation, but we will assist you in seeking funds from employers and other sources. Register at [www.FulbrightAcademy.org](http://www.FulbrightAcademy.org)

### **Previous Conferences:**

Conferences in Germany (2006) and Panama (2007) were attended by 130-140 scientists, government officials, Fulbright scholars, and members of the public. Conference participants come from the business, government, academic and non-profit communities.

Major tracks at the conferences covered topics such as science policy; internet & education; biology/medicine; science education; international development; engineering & science research; conducting & protecting innovation, forensics & human rights.

Speakers in Panama included Sir Harold Kroto (Nobel Prize in Chemistry), Federico Humbert (Panama's Ambassador to the United States), Tanya Popovic (Chief Scientist, US Center for Disease Control) and Philip Yeo (Head, Singapore Agency for Science Technology & Research). The conference was held at the El Panama Hotel in the city center, and the final day was at the Gamboa Rainforest Resort.

### **Demographics of the Attendees in Berlin:**

- 13% organizational leaders – presidents, deans or senior managers in business, government or academia
- 31% academics – professors, researchers, instructors
- 28% students – recent college graduates to PhD students and Post-docs
- 4% high school teachers
- 11% managers – non-profit & government
- 9% managers at non-profit organizations
- 4% guests – spouses and friends

### **Activities in Boston:**

As with all FAST events, there will be a strong focus on building ties between people of different nationalities and professional backgrounds. Our meetings have a mixture of government officials and administrators, business executives, non-profit leaders, academics and students.

The FAST conference will include a variety of science-related tours, such as the Harvard Smithsonian Astrophysics Center, the National Braille Press, acoustics at Symphony Hall, and the Boston University Forensics Program.

In addition to our program, several other scientific societies are meeting in Boston the same weekend. Their programs are centered around the Hynes Convention Center, one mile away. FAST is pleased to facilitate your introduction to the Boston area and the international scientific community that lives and works there.

### **We look forward to your involvement:**

- As a speaker or presenter on a panel
- As a participant in the poster session
- As a discussant in one of the workshops
- As a guide for a tour or an exhibitor
- As a sponsor of a panel or tour
- As a representative of an institutional member
- As an attendee who has international experience and wants to share knowledge with Fulbright scholars.

**Detailed Information about our program, invited speakers and tours can be found on the FAST website.**

**Please visit our website for hotel recommendations.**  
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Northeastern University, Boston, MA – February 14-17, 2008

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### REGISTRATION:

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 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Professional background (optional):

Field: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Retirement date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fulbright country & year: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Note:** This information will be used to prepare name tags and the participants list. Please print it as you would like it to appear on those documents.

Registration Type:	Professional	Reduced	Student	One-day	Banquet
Regular Registration	\$425 *	\$325 *	\$250	\$150	\$60/\$50 **

Reduced rate: Teachers, postdocs, journalists, retirees & those from low/middle income countries.  
 \* Member discount: There is a \$50 discount for members or employees of institutional members.  
 \*\* Opening Banquet: The Thursday banquet is \$60, or \$50 for students or if you buy multiple tickets.  
 One-day registration: Please indicate which day: \_\_Friday, \_\_ Saturday, \_\_ Sunday  
 Cancellation policy: See next page or the website for details on cancellation and other policies  
 Advance registration: Multi-day rates increase by \$25 after February 1, 2008.

**Registration Type:**     Professional     Reduced     Student     One-day     Thurs. Banquet  
                                   Member discount     Registration includes spouse/partner (add \$250)

**Registration Payment:** Total Due: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Fulbright Academy of Science & Technology  
 PO Box CC-284, Cape Elizabeth, ME 04106-0284 USA  
 Tel: 207-799-3098    Fax: 815-846-1756

## REGISTRATION OPTIONS:

**Regular Registration** - Unlimited access to all FAST Conference activities (including tours, the opening banquet, 3 other meals and coffee breaks).

Registration:	Professional	Reduced	Student	One-day	Banquet
Regular Registration	\$425 / \$375	\$325 / \$275	\$250	\$150	\$60 / \$50

## RATE INFORMATION:

- **Membership Discount:** The fifty dollar (\$50) discount is available to FAST members and employees of institutional members. If three or more non-members register together, they can request a \$50 discount. The two discounts can not be combined.
- **Professional rate:** This rate is for "professionals" - people who work for the government, institutions of higher education, corporations, foundations, etc. Individuals from low- and middle-income countries who work for local entities that pay local (not international) wages are eligible for the reduced rate.
- **Reduced rate:** Journalists, teachers and postdocs are required to indicate their institution's name on the registration form. People with emeritus status are required to indicate their birth year/retirement year. People from low- and middle-income countries who work for entities that pay local (not international) wages must list their employer.
- **Student rate:** Students are required to indicate their institution's name on the registration form.
- **Banquet:** Students can attend the banquet for \$50. Multiple tickets are \$50 each..
- **Spouse/family rate:** If you are accompanied by a family member, he/she can participate in the programs and attend the meals and tours for a reduced fee of \$250. If there is demand, we may add a program for children.
- **Included/Not included:** Your registration includes the costs for several meals, coffee breaks, tours and other activities. Some tours may require an entry fee to the museum or facility.
- **Hotel:** Your registration fee does NOT include the cost of accommodations. You must make your own hotel reservations. Many attendees are staying at the Midtown Hotel ([www.MidtownHotel.com](http://www.MidtownHotel.com)). FAST has reserved a block of rooms for \$99/night – call 617-369-6240 and refer to the Fulbright Academy meeting. Different rates may be available through the website.
- **Advance Registration Deadline:** The deadline for advance registrations is February 1. Multi-day rates will increase by \$25 after that date.

## NOTICES / POLICIES:

- **Free Registrations:** Because we give so many opportunities for people to speak or present at the conference, we do not offer complimentary registrations. All participants, including speakers and presenters, are expected to register for the conference.
- **Cancellations:** Those who cancel their conference registration on or before January 5 will be eligible for a full refund. Those who cancel on or before January 21 will be eligible for a refund minus a US\$75 administrative fee. No refunds will be issued for cancellations received after that date. Cancellation requests must be submitted in writing to the Fulbright Academy. Hotels will have their own cancellation policy for your accommodations - contact your hotel for details.
- **Accidents/Injury:** Your participation in the 2008 FAST Conference may involve travel to off-site locations, and you may be exposed to a variety of hazards and risks, foreseen and unforeseen. By registering for the conference, you agree to waive, discharge claims and release from liability Northeastern University and the Fulbright Academy, Inc., its officers, directors, employees, agents and leaders from any and all liability on account of, or in any way resulting from injuries or damages. In registering for the conference, you understand and intend that this assumption of risk and release is binding upon your heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and includes any minors accompanying you.
- **Documentary:** FAST will collect video footage, photographs and other material during the conference for use in a documentary and/or for other outreach efforts. In registering for the conference, you give FAST permission to use this material.
- **More Information:** See website for details.

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## **Institutions Represented at our First or our Second Annual Conference**

- Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP
- American Association for the Advancement of Science
- American Board of Healthcare Law & Medicine
- AmidEast
- Annie Wright School, Tocomo, WA
- Arizona State University
- Australian Antarctic Division
- Azusa Pacific University
- Barbados Community College
- Belize Ministry of Natural Resources & the Environment
- Berlin Medical Historical Museum
- Bethel College
- Brandeis University
- Brown University
- California Department of Fish and Game
- Casper College
- Centro de Astrobiología, Madrid
- Charité Hospital, Berlin
- Cincinnati Art Museum
- City of Knowledge, Panama
- Cleveland State University
- College of the Holy Cross
- CSIRO - Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation, Australia
- Daemen College
- Drake University
- Dupont Titanium Technologies
- Eckerd College
- Ecopura, El Salvador
- Embassy of Canada in Panama
- Embassy of Panama in the United States
- European School of Management & Technology
- Ferris State University
- Florida State University
- Fondo de Inversión Social para el Desarrollo Local, El Salvador
- Freie Universitaet Berlin
- Fulbright Alumni Assn, Serbia & Montenegro
- Fulbright Alumni Association - Germany
- Fulbright Alumni Association - Korea
- FUSADES-Fundación Salvadoreña para el Desarrollo Economico y Social, El Salvador
- George Institute for Biodiversity & Sustainability
- Georgia State University
- German Academic Exchange Service
- German-US Fulbright Commission
- Gorgas Research Institute, Panama
- Gwinnett County (GA) Board of Health
- Hillsborough Florida School Board
- Hope for a Healthier Humanity

## **The two conferences were held in Berlin, Germany and Panama City, Panama**

- Hospital General de México
- Indiana University
- Islamic University of Gaza
- ITESO - Jesuit University, Mexico
- Johns Hopkins Medical International
- Jordanian Nursing Council
- Juniata College
- The Korea Society
- Lake City Community College
- Lehigh University
- Loras College
- Medaille College
- Medical Device Quality Consulting
- Medizinische Hochschule Hannover
- Memorial University, School of Graduate Studies
- Mexico's National University
- Minnesota State University
- Montclair State University
- Moroccan Fulbright Alumni Assn
- Motorola, GmbH
- National School of Mineral Industry, Morocco
- National Secretariat for Science, Technology & Innovation (SENACYT), Panama
- Nebraska Institute of Forensic Sciences, Inc.
- North Carolina State University
- Oregon State University
- Palestinian Fulbright Alumni Association
- Panama Canal Authority
- Polish Fulbright Alumni Association
- Polish-US Fulbright Commission
- Politechnical University of Bucharest
- Polytechnical University of Valencia
- Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador
- Punta Pacifica Hospital
- Rice University
- Rudjer Boskovic Institute, Croatia
- Salesforce.Com Foundation
- Siemens
- Singapore Agency for Science, Technology & Research
- Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute
- Sorenson Molecular Genealogy Foundation
- St. Lucia Ministry of Health
- Stanford University
- Swiss Federal Institute of Technology
- Technical University of Panama
- Tel Aviv University
- The Atlantic Review
- The College of New Rochelle
- UDSA Fulbright Teacher and Administrator Exchange

- UNICEF
- Universidad Autónoma de Querétaro
- Universidad Autónoma de Yucatán
- Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana
- Universidad Complutense de Madrid
- Universidad Tecnológica de Panamá
- Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro
- University of Belgrade
- University of Bonn
- University of Brasilia
- University of Brumre Darussalam
- University of Bucharest
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Irvine
- University of Cologne
- University of Colorado
- University of Connecticut
- University of Delaware
- University of Florida
- University of Georgia
- University of Hawaii
- University of Illinois
- University of Kansas
- University of Koblenz-Landau
- University of Maribor, Slovenia
- University of Miami
- University of Michigan
- University of Montana
- University of Nebraska--Lincoln
- University of New Hampshire
- University of Podgorica, Yugoslavia
- University of Rhode Island
- University of South Florida
- University of Stuttgart
- University of Texas at Dallas
- University of Victoria, Canada
- University of Wisconsin
- University of Wuppertal
- University Sidi Mohammed Ben Abdellah
- US Centers for Disease Control & Prevention
- US Department of Justice/ National Institute of Justice
- US Minerals Management Service
- Visual Tutor Company
- Walla Walla College
- Wellesley College
- Western Research Institute, Laramie, WI
- WIK Associates, Inc.
- Wilmington College
- Winikur Productions
- Winthrop University
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- ZDF Berlin

Every year the Fulbright Exchange Program invests in the talents and aspirations of some 6,000 students, researchers, professionals, teachers and scholars from around the world. By traveling overseas to study, teach or conduct research, these select individuals are challenged to use the power of learning not just for themselves, but also for the larger purpose of understanding others and building connections among people.

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FAST was started by alumni of this prestigious program and together with our colleagues, Fulbrighters play a critical role in advancing education, research, policy and commerce. Please join us at our conference and help build a network that finds practical solutions to problems facing humanity today.

Registered participants for the 2007 conference come from the following countries: Australia, Barbados, Belize, Brazil, Brunei, Canada, Columbia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Ecuador, El Salvador, Germany, Greece, Israel, Jordan, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Singapore, Spain, St. Lucia, United Kingdom, and the United States.

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