#### INTRODUCTION

The International Society for Ethnopharmacology is a collaborative, interdisciplinary group of scientists - anthropolo-gists, pharmacists, pharmacologists, ethnobotanists, phytochemists, and others – all fascinated by the study of the local and global use of traditional medicines.

The Sixteenth International Congress on Ethnopharmacology will be held in Yulin, Guangxi, China, International Exhibition Center, on May 15~19, 2016. The congress in Yulin will focus on "Traditional medicine: protection, integration, and innovation". There will also be a pre-symposium in the Guangxi Botanical Garden of Medicinal Plants in Nanning on May 15; and an exhibition and poster sessions for new technology, new products and research achievements of Ethnomedicine during the Conference in Yulin.

The Scientific and Organizing Committees cordially invite you to participate in this 16th International Congress on Ethnopharmacology. We are looking forward to meeting you in the Soutern Herb City, Yulin.

#### MAIN SCIENTIFIC TOPICS

- protection of traditional knowledge
- conservation and sustainable use of herbal resources
- -challenges in integrating traditional medicine in modern health care systems
- how to provide clinical evidence in traditional medicine
- systems based research in ethnopharmacology
- drug discovery from herbal medicine
- data mining and network pharmacology

#### CALL FOR PAPERS

Research contributions (short lectures, posters) related to above mentioned topics/other fields of medicinal plants and natural products are welcome.

#### **OFFICIAL LANGUAGE**

The official language of the congress will be English. There will be no provision for simultaneous translation into other languages.

#### LOCAL ORGANIZER

The People's Government of Yulin City, and Guangxi Botanical Garden of Medicinal Plants

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Nanning and Yulin are not far from Guilin, a major tourist attraction in China. Post congress tours will be organized for sightseeing.



## Yulin city

Yulin city is located in southeastern Guangxi province along the border with Guangdong. It is a hilly basin with a total area of 12,838 km<sup>2</sup>. Yulin's climate is tropical and monsoonal. Average annual temperature is 21 °C. As one of the Tourist Cities of China, Yulin possesses over 120 natural scenic spots and sites of historical heritage, such as the Zhenwu Pavilion, which is entitled as one of the four most famous gorgeous towers of south of Yangtze River; the Yuntian Folk Culture City; the Forest Park of Darong Mount; the Xielu Mountain Villa and the Duqiao Mount. Yulin city in Guangxi, the third biggest market of traditional Chinese medicine in China, is reputed as "Southern Herb City", and Yulin Yinfeng International Chinese Medicine Hub serves as the Chinese medicine trading center in the south of China. A completed industry chain and serving system has been formed including Chinese medicine planting, processing, researching, producing, selling and exposition, etc. Since 2009, Guangxi has annually held International Traditional Chinese Medicine Exposition (Yulin-China), which attracts enterprises and organizations of Chinese medicine from China and abroad, and gains its reputation for the service and trade center of Chinese medicine.



Yulin city
Southern Herb Garden of China

International Exhibition Center

### Guangxi Botanical Garden of Medicinal Plants

Guangxi Botanical Garden of Medicinal Plants, founded in 1959 with an area of 202 hectares, is a public-service institution engaged in the collection, conservation, presentation, exhibition, as well as scientific research and development of medicinal animal and plant resources, and popularization of Chinese medicine culture. At present, the Garden has conserved over 8900 species of medicinal plants. In 2011 the British Guinness headquarters confirmed the Garden as "the Largest Herb Garden" in the world owing to its reserving area and quantity of medicinal plant species. The Garden is also the base of national science popularizing education, base of national propaganda education of Chinese medication culture, pilot spot of national tourism service standardization and state AAAA tourism scenic site and pilot base of culture industry in the autonomous region. Guangxi Botanical Garden of Medicinal Plants now is making great efforts to toward the world-class medicinal botanical garden, to be an important place for conservation, development and sustainable utilization of the medicinal plant resources with international influence in the research field of biological medicine areas; to be an important place for publicity and inheritance of the traditional medicine cultures with international influence in the culture areas.







# **First Announcement**

# The 16<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Ethnopharmacology

May 15-19, 2016 Yulin, China