

Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce the Stony Brook World Environmental Forum, convened by Richard Leakey from May 6-8, 2005.

Few events can change the course of history.
This one can.

Dr. Richard Leakey and many of the world's leading environmental scientists will address vital issues pertaining to the survival of the Earth as we know it. The mission of the Forum is to focus the attention of science, business, and government on the effects of global climate change on biodiversity, and to mobilize the resources of intergovernmental agencies and international corporations to implement concrete, tangible solutions.

I invite you to join us in this important initiative. Complimentary registration is available to lectures and plenary sessions for all Stony Brook faculty, staff, and students and you must be registered to be admitted (meals and receptions are extra).

Lectures will be held in the Charles B. Wang Center and the Staller Center for the Arts. Registration should be completed by April 25, 2005 as seating is limited.

To register or to view the full conference schedule and bios of all participants, visit the forum's web site: www.stonybrook.edu/lifematters or call (631) 632-1654.

Additionally, I invite you to join us for the Conference Banquet on Saturday, May 7, 2005 in the Charles B. Wang Center with cocktails 6:00 p.m., banquet 7:00 p.m., and an after-Dinner Presentation by Richard Leakey. The cost for faculty, staff, and students is \$125 per person and is catered by Restaurant Mirabelle.

I look forward to seeing you at this important event.

Sincerely,
Robert L. McGrath
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs