

Venue

The symposium will be held at the Cheyenne Mountain Resort at the foot of the beautiful Rocky Mountains on the outskirts of Colorado Springs.



The resort has superb meeting facilities and accommodations, as well as a variety of after-hours recreational opportunities.

**Watch for program details,
registration information, and a link
to the conference web-site –
Coming Soon!**

International Symposium on Soil Organic Matter Dynamics: Land Use, Management and Global Change

Colorado Springs, Colorado, USA

July 6-9, 2009

First Circular



Scientific Committee:

Olof Andrén – Sweden
Carlos E.P. Cerri – Brazil
Abad Chabbi – France
Francesca Cotrufo – Italy
Jorge Etchevers – Mexico
Paul Fixen – Int'l Plant Nutrition Inst.
Jürg Fuhrer – Switzerland
Peter Grace – Australia
Georg Guggenberger – Germany
Henry Janzen – Canada
Miko Kirschbaum – New Zealand
Rattan Lal – USA
Johannes Lehmann – USA
Roel Merckx – Belgium
Genxing Pan – China
Phil Sollins – USA

Organizing Committee:

Keith Paustian – Colorado State U. (Chair)
Richard Conant – Colorado State U.
Ronald Follett – USDA/ARS
Eugene Kelly – Colorado State U.
Maurice Mausbach – USDA/NRCS
Stephen Ogle – Colorado State U.
Eldor Paul – Colorado State U.
Gary Peterson – Colorado State U.
Michael Ryan – US Forest Service

Contact:

Laurie Richards (laurie@nrel.colostate.edu)

The symposium will cover a range of topics on the vital role of soil organic matter (SOM) in the function and sustainability of terrestrial ecosystems and the global carbon cycle. Research on SOM in all terrestrial ecosystems (e.g., cropland, grassland, forest, tundra) is included.

Aim of the symposium is to present the latest research on SOM across the globe and highlight future research directions.

The conference **sessions** will consist of morning plenary and afternoon parallel presentations, with invited keynote and volunteered talks. A poster session will also be organized.

A **Field trip** will be offered on Monday, July 6 to provide an opportunity to learn about Colorado soils along an elevational gradient.