



## National Training Conference on the Toxics Release Inventory and Environmental Conditions in Communities

# Call for Abstracts

The National Training Conference on the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) and Environmental Conditions in Communities will be held on May 7-9, 2014, in Arlington, VA, at the Hilton Crystal City. Public conference sessions will be held May 7-8, and a session for U.S. EPA, states, and tribes will be held on May 9.



Deep South Center for Environmental Justice

The co-sponsors of the 2014 Conference — *Dillard University's Deep South Center for Environmental Justice* and *United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA)* — invite you to submit abstracts for oral presentations, posters and exhibit booths.



**Abstracts will be accepted through December 13, 2013.** This is a great opportunity to present your research, share knowledge, and interact with attendees. Abstracts should promote outreach, learning and networking among federal, state, and local government agencies, academics, industry, community groups, and other professionals interested in TRI, either alone or in conjunction with other sources of environmental information.

### Potential Session Topics

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Suggested topics for presentations, posters, and exhibit booths include, but are not limited to:

- Translating TRI data to support health disparities research in environmental justice (EJ) communities
- Using TRI to build environmental health emergency capacity
- Utilizing TRI data for toxic reduction and good neighbor agreements in EJ communities
- Assessing health impacts using TRI to shape policy
- Translating data about toxic pollutants into information for community awareness and action
- Providing information related to toxic pollutants through effective partnerships, tools, and outreach
- Measuring and assessing corporate environmental performance using TRI data
- Promoting innovations in environmental education and stewardship associated with toxic pollutants
- Exploring the connections between TRI and green chemistry, green engineering, pollution prevention (P2), and sustainable development

- Using TRI data to communicate potential risk
- Promoting the adoption and recognition of P2 practices associated with toxic chemicals
- Understanding the potential impacts of toxic chemical releases to air, water, and land
- Characterizing cumulative impacts of toxic pollutants, health disparities, and epidemiologic associations
- Using TRI and related information to explore the vulnerability of communities to chemical releases from natural disasters
- International, tribal, state, and local toxic chemical Right-to-Know programs
- Insight and actions from tribal communities concerned about toxic pollution
- Improving the quality of TRI information
- Meeting future needs of TRI data users through improvements in the data and advances in data access tools and information technology

Abstracts that do not fit exactly into one of the suggested topics will also be considered. In addition to individual presentations, we encourage you to contact your colleagues and suggest ideas for dynamic and engaging panel discussions.

### **Guidelines for Submission**

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- Abstracts should contain an overview of the topic, indicate the format envisioned (oral presentation, poster or exhibit booth) and provide full contact information for each presenter.
- Oral presentations, posters and exhibit booths selected in response to this call for abstracts will be given on the public session days, May 7-8, 2014.
- Authors will receive notification of decision via email in February 2014.
- Please submit abstracts via the form at: [www2.epa.gov/toxics-release-inventory-tri-program/forms/2014-national-training-conference](http://www2.epa.gov/toxics-release-inventory-tri-program/forms/2014-national-training-conference)
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### **For More Information**

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For up-to-date information on the Conference, please visit: [www2.epa.gov/toxics-release-inventory-tri-program/2014-national-training-conference](http://www2.epa.gov/toxics-release-inventory-tri-program/2014-national-training-conference).

If you have any questions, please contact Christine Arcari of U.S. EPA at [arcari.christine@epa.gov](mailto:arcari.christine@epa.gov) or 202-566-1746 or Mary Williams of Dillard University at [mwilliams@dillard.edu](mailto:mwilliams@dillard.edu) or 504-816-4028.

Past presentations from the 2012 and 2010 TRI National Training Conferences are available at <http://www.chemicalright2know.org/tri-conference>.