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Mayor's Asia-Pacific  
ENVIRONMENTAL SUMMIT

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## MAYORS' ASIA PACIFIC ENVIRONMENTAL SUMMIT - MELBOURNE 2006

On behalf of the City of Melbourne together with Mayor Jeremy Harris, I write to invite you to attend the 4<sup>th</sup> Mayors' Asia Pacific Environmental Summit (MAPES), to be held here in Melbourne, Australia from 9-12 May, 2006.

MAPES is a unique forum for local government leaders in our region to share experiences and commit to sustainable development in our communities. Previously held in Honolulu, Hawaii, Melbourne is proud to be the host city for the 4<sup>th</sup> MAPES.

The MAPES Melbourne program will cover topics vital to the development of sustainable urban environments including: energy and transport; water and wastewater treatment; and waste management. New to MAPES in Melbourne 2006 will be a focus on planning for and recovering from natural disasters and a session dedicated to 'greening events' in our cities and communities.

We are excited also to inform you that MAPES 2006 will be held in conjunction with ENVIRO 06, Australia's largest environment industries conference and trade show ([www.enviroaust.net](http://www.enviroaust.net)). In addition, the Swedish Royal Institute of Technology will offer a Certificate Program in Urban Sustainability for delegates attending certain sessions at MAPES.

We sincerely hope that you will be able to join us in Melbourne for MAPES 2006. On-line registration and other information will soon be available at [www.environmentalsummit.com](http://www.environmentalsummit.com). You may also indicate your interest in attending by emailing [info@environmentalsummit.com](mailto:info@environmentalsummit.com) or by contacting Mr Russ Wood, Business Melbourne on +61 3 9658 8898 or [ruswoo@melbourne.vic.gov.au](mailto:ruswoo@melbourne.vic.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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