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Penton Media's 2010 Global Waste Management Symposium Announces Keynote Speaker

Stamford, CT (July 13, 2010) Penton Media's 2010 Global Waste Management Symposium (GWMS), an international forum for the presentation of peer-reviewed applied and fundamental research and case studies on waste management, announces the Keynote Speaker for the event October 3-6, 2010 at the JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort and Spa.

The Keynote Presentation will take place Monday, October 4th at 8:30 am and will feature Thomas H. Christensen, Ph.D.; Department of Environmental Engineering, Technical University of Denmark. Dr. Christensen will discuss waste management in Europe and global warming impacts. His speech will address:

Waste management in Europe has for decades been governed by the waste hierarchy, but statistics show that the 27 different member states represent a wide range of approaches. Many countries still rely strongly on landfilling, while other countries have reduced landfilling of MSW to less than 5%. With this knowledge, a generic study was performed using a modeling approach that compared 40 different waste management systems as they could appear in Europe in the future. The results showed that the most rational waste management scenarios can lead to substantial savings in CO₂-emissions per tonne of municipal waste.

For a complete abstract visit www.wastesymposium.com.

"Dr. Christensen is well-respected and renowned for his research on solid waste issues affecting the world. His most recent work, which shows how solid waste management strategies can have profound effects on greenhouse gas emissions, is very relevant to carbon management policy being implemented or considered by many countries today" noted Dr. Bryan Staley, co-chair of the GWMS technical committee.

The Global Waste Management Symposium brings together a broad coalition of government agencies, waste services companies, consultants, vendors/suppliers, researchers and leading trade organizations and scientific foundations from the U.S. and abroad. Participants will have the opportunity to share ideas and problem solve with colleagues and GWMS sponsors on topics that are critical to the community of designers, facility owners and operators, policymakers and researchers in the global waste community.

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To find out more about the Global Waste Management Symposium, and to register visit www.wastesymposium.com.

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