# 19<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL RIVER*SYMPOSIUM*NEW DELHI, INDIA 12-14 SEPTEMBER 2016

#### **Keynote Speaker Program**

The International Riversymposium has been managed by the International RiverFoundation (IRF) since 2014. IRF has initiated a strong keynote speaker program and in 2014 and 2015, over 20 keynote speakers were selected and participated, resulting in a very high quality event. The delegate feedback on keynotes was very positive. In 2016 the Riversymposium Planning Committee has canvassed widely for keynotes, seeking to balance gender and geographies as far as possible. Keynotes have been invited in the following categories:

- Conference keynote
- Plenary keynotes
- Invited speakers

The process for final selection of keynotes is in two stages. Initially the highest ranked keynotes are invited to submit an expression of interest through completion of the short proforma included below. The Program Planning Committee will then select a final line-up of speakers to produce a balanced program.

#### **Funding**

In 2016 we are able to offer speakers a complimentary package consisting of;

- √ free event registration,
- ✓ two free tickets to the social functions and,
- ✓ three nights accommodation at the Taj Palace hotel.

We ask keynotes to cover their remaining costs including travel to New Delhi plus any additional night's accommodation, meals and incidentals. We recognise that there may be instances where a keynote speaker may not be in a position to meet all unpaid costs and these requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis. IRF does not pay speaker fees.

### **Additional requirements of Keynotes**

Keynote speakers will be requested to engage in a range of activities at the symposium beyond presentation of their keynote. These may include: attendance at the VIP dinner, 'students meet the keynotes session', chairing one or more session, media interviews, participation in panel sessions and the finale event as required.

## **RIVERSYMPOSIUM 2016 KEYNOTE SPEAKER DETAILS**

Name	
Affiliation	
Email	
Mobile phone number (to	
be used in Delhi)	
Short bio (up to 200	
words)	
Proposed keynote title	
Proposed keynote abstract	
(up to 200 words)	
Other notes	