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For more information including the program and accommodation options visit goldcoastcity.com.au/healthycities or phone 07 5581 6733.

Keynote Speakers Include:

Mayor Cr Ron Clarke MBE	Gold Coast, Australia
Councillor Robert La Castra	Gold Coast, Australia
Hon Vice Mayor Tan Ying	Suzhou, China
Hon John Mickel MP	Minister for State Development, Employment and Industrial Relations, Australia
Dr Hisashi Ogawa	World Health Organization for the Western Pacific, Philippines
Dr Keiko Nakamura	Alliance for Healthy Cities, Japan
Prof Cordia Chu	Griffith University, Australia
Prof Ian O'Connor	President of Griffith University, Australia
Dr Pat Mowbray	University of Wollongong, Australia
Prof Fran Baum	Flinders University, Australia
Prof Kerry Mummery	Central QLD University, Australia

Forum Fees

\$600.00 Full Registration

Registration Includes:

- Attendance to all Forum Sessions
- Ticket to Official Civic Reception
- Forum satchel with complete program
- Lunches, morning and afternoon teas DAILY

Accommodation

Legends Hotel

Perfectly located in the heart of Surfers Paradise, Legends Hotel offers luxuriously appointed guest rooms and suites with private balconies. Legends offers captivating views across the ocean, hinterland and the brilliant night lights of Surfers Paradise and is only a five minute walk to the forum venue, The Landmark Q1 Tower.

Watermark Hotel

Hotel Watermark Gold Coast features plush guest rooms and suites that are among some of the most spacious on the Gold Coast. Rooms at the Watermark capture the Gold Coast's glorious sunlight as it cascades across the distinctly modern interiors. The Watermark is only a ten minute walk to Q1 Tower.

Special discounted room rates are available for delegates at the Legends and Watermark Hotels and need to be booked through the Forum Secretariat.

www.astmanagement.com.au/healthy_Cities/registration

Forum Secretariat

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International forum for the Alliance for Healthy Cities

26 to 29 September, 2007

**Location: Q1 Resort
Surfers Paradise
Gold Coast
Queensland
Australia**

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About the alliance

The Alliance for Healthy Cities is an international network of cities, healthy communities and other allied organisations aimed at protecting and enhancing the health of city dwellers. The alliance was initiated by the World Health Organisation (WHO) and works to achieve this goal through an approach called Healthy Cities.

The Healthy Cities approach promotes programs to help cities cope with health and sustainable development issues that have emerged with urbanisation. These issues range from population growth, adapting to climate change and degrading air and water quality to crowded housing, traffic congestion and disease prevention.

About the International Forum

The forum will provide an opportunity to meet with WHO representatives, Mayors and health professionals from throughout the region including Japan, China, South Korea, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mongolia, Australia and the Philippines.

The two day forum will host the annual Asia Pacific Regional Steering Committee meeting for the alliance and provide an opportunity for participants to interact and present keynote papers, workshops, dialogue and site visits on the health issues facing our cities including:

- the structural determinants of health
- state-of-the-art regional infrastructure planning
- industry development and trade
- future urban design and the growth of cities
- active and healthy cities programs
- climate change adaptation
- health impact assessment and hazardous pollution scenarios
- disaster management
- strategic health action planning and evaluation and methods of public health outcome reporting

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Open Invitation to all City Mayors or their Representatives to attend the Asia Pacific Healthy Cities Forum 26 – 29 September 2007

In September, Gold Coast City Council will host a forum for the Asia Pacific Alliance for Healthy Cities to mark the City's entry into the Alliance. This is the first time, in this country, that such an opportunity has been available for all those involved or interested in healthy cities work within Australasia, to get together, share ideas and skills, and network.

As Mayor of Gold Coast City, I am delighted to invite you to participate in this inaugural event, which is being held at the landmark Q1 Residential Tower in fabulous Surfers Paradise. The forum will feature a number of outstanding speakers, concurrent sessions and workshops all designed to help delegates better understand the

opportunities, possible partnerships, costs and benefits of taking a collaborative, healthy cities approach to managing the urban environment. Council has to date confirmed 80 overseas visitors including 30 Mayors from some of the highly urbanised Asian cities. The forum has already attracted great interest, so Mayors or their representatives throughout Australia and New Zealand are encouraged to register their interest as early as possible to guarantee your place.

Part of the Forum's proceedings will involve hosting the biannual Asia Pacific Steering Committee meeting of the Alliance. Ultimately, we aim to establish an actively supported Australian Chapter of the Alliance and make an event like this a regular fixture on future Australian and New Zealand conference calendars.

I strongly commend this Asia Pacific Forum to you. World class health experts will extend your knowledge and understanding of this highly successful model for addressing urban health issues.

For further details please contact the forum organiser Mr Bryan Barker Gold Coast City Council at bbarker@goldcoast.qld.gov.au, or telephone on (07) 5581 6733 or by fax on (07) 5581 6994.

Register your interest to attend this forum by contacting www.astmanagement.com.au/Healthy_Cities or visit Council's web-site www.goldcoastcity.com.au/healthycities.

There will be limited sponsorship opportunities and trade exhibition space in connection with the Forum. If you are interested in showcasing your organisation's products, services or healthy cities related projects, please contact the forum organiser for more information. I'm looking forward to having the pleasure of meeting you in Gold Coast City in September.

Ron Clarke MBE, Mayor, Gold Coast City, June 2007

