## The participants

- 1. Each participating country will send a team of four students. They should be:
  - students of secondary schools (general or technical), or ex-students who have not commenced higher evel studies;
  - their age should not exceed twenty years on June 30<sup>th</sup> of the year of the Competition.
- 2. In addition to the students, two adult representatives are invited. One will be delegated as the person responsible for the whole delegation, and the other will have specific responsibility for the competitors. All adult representatives will become members of the International Board, where they will have equal rights.
- 3. The adult representatives must be selected from specialists in geography or teaching geography, and be capable of solving competently the problems of the competition. Each of them should be able to speak the official language of the International Geography Competition and to translate the problems to the mother tongue of the competitors.
- 4. The person responsible for each participating team will present the organizers with a list containing the personal data of the contestants (family name, first names, the first names of parents, date of birth, home address, the type and address of the school attended) prior to the Competition.

#### The cost

The total cost per person is \$220.00 for delegates from developed countries. Those from developing countries of Africa, Asia and South America, the total cost is R1600-00 (South African Rands). The cost includes all meals, accommodation, entrance fees, transport during the excursion, and shuttle services to and from the airport.

Please send the completed form no later than 10 January 2002 to the Competition Chairperson:

email Kevin Winter: winter@enviro.uct.ac.za ENGEO Department University of Cape Town Private Bag Rondebosch 7701 SOUTH AFRICA

# **Expression of Interest**

If you are interested and wish to participate in the IGC, kindly complete the "Expression of Interest Form" available from:

www.turners.co.za/igu

The 4<sup>th</sup>
International
Geography
Competition in
conjunction with the IGU Congress

"Geographical Renaissance at the Dawn of the Millennium"

> 2<sup>nd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> August 2002, Durban, South Africa

The first International Geography Competition was held in the Netherlands in 1996. In 1998, it was held in Lisbon and then in Seoul in 2000. In 2002 it will be the turn of South Africa to host the Competition in Durban. The competition offers a unique opportunity to showcase the strengths and abilities of the worlds up and coming young geographers.

The city of Durban is a busy metropolitan centre which can best be described as city with a fascinating mix of modern, well developed infrastructure, interspersed with and surrounding by underdevelopment and poverty. The social, economic and environmental context of Durban is a geographers laboratory! It will confront our delegates with a wide range of development issues but they will also see some bold initiatives used to address the problems of a city in the South which continues to be influenced by the Apartheid legacy. Under the guidance of an experienced team of South African geographers, the programme will serve to introduce delegates to the city through fieldwork, inquiry and debate.

The purposes of the Competition are to:

- stimulate active interest in geographical and environmental studies:
- develop geographical knowledge and skills in students;
- promote regular contacts and establish friendly relations between young people from different countries and thus contribute to a better understanding between nations.

### Programme

#### <u>Friday 2 August</u>

13.00 —18:00 Delegates arrive at Treasure Beach, Wildlife and Environment Centre, in Durban. The centre accommodates 75 people in dormitory style accommodation. It is clean, safe and adequate for the needs of the Competition and its delegates. Durban is renown for its fantastic beaches and during free time at the Competition, students will be able to explore the sandy shores which is in easy walking distance of the centre

18:00 Welcome braai (barbeque) and social activity to get to know team members. Brief introduction to the programme

### Saturday 3 August

08.00 Breakfast and team briefing

09:00 An Urban Caper — an introduction to the business district and development issues of Durban. Explore the city in teams using mapwork transects, documentation and gathering some local knowledge through informal interviews

13.00 Light lunch at the Durban Waterfront

14.00 Boat tour around Durban harbour

16.00 Overview of Durban industrial area — issues and concerns. Presentation by South Durban Community Environmental Alliance

18.30 Supper

20.00 Cultural evening. Light entertainment / presentation from each country delegation

#### Sunday 4 August

08.30 Breakfast

09.00 Field visit to mangrove swamps, one of the last remaining mangrove forests along the South African coastline

13.00 Lunch

14.00 Geography Team Quiz (1.5 hours) — based on atlases, maps, diagrams, statistics and images/photographs. All delegates will be given guidance in preparation for this quiz prior to attending the IGC.

17.30 Transport to IGU conference venue

18.00 Opening ceremony and cocktail party

#### **Monday 5 August**

07.30 — 08.30 Breakfast

09.00 Field excursions: township tour to Cato Manor and visit to waste disposal site at Marianhill

13.00 Lunch at Treasure Beach

14.00 Preparation for fieldwork competition: based on field excursions

16.00 Fieldwork competition

18.30 Mayoral Reception at the IGU Conference Centre

#### Tuesday 6 August

07.30 - 08.30 Breakfast

09.00 Field visit to Valley Trust, a non-government organisation that supports communities living in peri-urban through health and education services

13.00 Lunch

14.00 Preparation for written test: based on geographical knowledge and understanding. The emphasis is on inquiry and interpretation of geographical problems and issues relevant to the Durban context

15.00 Written test (2 hours)

18.00 Conference banquet

### Wednesday 7 August

07.30 - 08.30 Breakfast

09.00 Presentation of awards. Closing ceremony and departure. Shuttle delegates to the airport

#### COST

The total cost per person is \$220.00 for delegates from developed countries. Those from developing countries of Africa, Asia and South America, the total cost is R1600-00 (South African Rands). The cost includes all meals, accommodation, entrance fees, transport during the excursion, and shuttle services to and from the airport.

### WHAT DO I DO IF I WISH TO ATTEND?

The Competition is open to all secondary school students (general or technical), or ex-students who have not commenced higher level studies, and whose age does not exceed 20 years on June 30<sup>th</sup> of the year of the Competition.

A team of four students will represent the participating country. There will be a maximum of 12 countries represented at IGC 2002. Team members are to be accompanied by two adult representatives who are specialists in geography or teaching geography, and able to speak the official language of IGC, namely English.

The selection of team should be undertaken by a *bona fida* a National Geographical Association or Organisation of the sending nation. In the absence of such an organisation, the National Ministry of Education in that country should select the team.

Countries who wish to be eligible for a place in the Competition should complete the Expression of Interest Form which is attached to this brochure and return it to the Competition organisers by 10 January 2002.

For more details about the IGU Conference Competition, see the website: www.turners.co.za/igu

Also available on the website is an Expression of Interest Form and the Statutes of the International Geography Competition which gives the rules, regulations and procedures of the Competition.