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CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT

Metadiversity III: Global Access for Biodiversity Through Integrated Systems November 18-19, 2002
Doubletree Hotel Philadelphia, PA
Attendance Fee: \$175.00

Metadiversity III is the third in a series of events hosted jointly by the National Biological Information Infrastructure (NBII) and NFAIS to help respond to the national and international grand challenges in the area of biodiversity information management. The year's event will build upon the two previous conferences, with a special focus on the actual processes required for integration of multiple information resources into a fully interoperable network targeted toward professional researchers.

Further details regarding the program, speakers and associated fees can be found at:
<http://www.nfaiss.org/EventDetails.asp?EventID=12>

A room block has been reserved for the attendees of the conference at the Doubletree Hotel, Philadelphia, PA at an attractive rate of \$119.00 per night. To make reservations, call 1-800-222-8733 or contact the Doubletree directly at 215-893-1600. Please specify that you are part of the NFAIS meeting when you make your reservation, and in order to receive this special rate, you must register prior to October 30.

Information regarding the Metadiversity I conference can be found on our Web site at:
<http://www.nfaiss.org/MetaDiversity1.asp>. In addition, we have published the summary of findings from the 2001 meeting in PDF file format. Please feel free to contact me for a complimentary copy of the report in PDF file format.

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