



## INVITATION

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The American Institute in Taiwan (AIT) Kaohsiung Branch Office is pleased to announce the **2012 U.S. – Taiwan Sustainability Symposium: Creating Sustainable Cities and Promoting Sustainable Ports in the Asia Pacific Region**, which will take place in Kaohsiung on December 10-12, 2012.

The 2012 sustainability symposium will be a comprehensive, two-day forum focused on the sustainable development of communities and the ports. This forum is organized on two tracks: Creating Sustainable Cities (**Forum A**) and Promoting Sustainable Ports in the Asia Pacific Region (**Forum B**). Environmental and municipal officials, international marine port authorities, industry representatives, academic, and non-governmental organization officials will discuss fundamental and common elements of sustainability and share current and developing approaches and programs that can be utilized to achieve economic, environmental, community and human health sustainability.

The sustainability symposium, organized jointly by the American Institute in Taiwan, Kaohsiung City Government, the U.S. Environmental Protection Administration (EPA), and Taiwan EPA will feature a grand opening ceremony, with remarks by senior Taiwan officials and U.S. government representatives. We sincerely invite you to join us for this event.

- Title: **2012 U.S. – Taiwan Sustainability Symposium: Creating Sustainable Cities and Promoting Sustainable Ports in the Asia Pacific Region**
- Date: December 10-12, 2010
- Location: International Convention Center in Kaohsiung
- Program: Opening Remarks by Senior Taiwan Official and the U.S. EPA Regional Administrator Mr. Dennis McLerran; Keynote addresses by Former USEPA Special Representative, Dr. Shalini Vajjhala and Kaohsiung Vice Mayor Liu Shyh-fang; two consecutive plenary sessions with cross-disciplinary panel discussions.
- Event Participants: 500 audience members plus press
- Forum Participants: 250 representatives each from Taiwan and U.S. national and city governments, academia and private industry.

For more details of the program you may visit AIT Kaohsiung Branch Office's web page at <http://kaohsiung.ait.org.tw/en/activity-albums.html>. You are also encouraged to register on-line at the special web <http://2012ustwss.utrust.com.tw> for your participation.