Over the past decade, our ability to predict the environmental impact of major coastal pollution discharges has improved substantially. However, there are still many gaps in our understanding of near shore coastal water quality. In particular, the complicated interaction of non-point source pollution and surface runoff with wave and tide-induced currents in the littoral zone cannot be adequately described in existing 3D tidal hydrodynamics models. Other marine environmental research challenges include: nearshore hydrodynamics, fate and transport of endocrine disrupting compounds; beach water quality prediction; environmental impacts of seawater desalination; Lagrangian transport; ecological risk assessment and public engagement; real time data-driven models for coastal management.

The objective of the meeting is to update established engineers and scientists (from Hong Kong and the region) in academia, government, and industry of recent developments in the prediction and management of nearshore coastal water quality, with emphasis on fundamental research relating to the above aspects.

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Registration Fee
There will be no registration fee charge for invited ASI participants.

Venue
The ASI will be held in the Graduate House, The University of Hong Kong.

ASI Organisation
The ASI is intended to be a high-level teaching activity where the selected topics are treated in depth by lecturers of international standing, and new advances on the subject. There will be lectures followed by case studies and group discussions. A poster session will run throughout the ASI, and field visit to related laboratories / research sites are being planned. The ASI is primarily aimed for established scientist and researchers, and a limited number of postdoctoral fellows and doctoral students actively working on related research.

Accommodation and Travel
Accommodation for overseas participants will be arranged at the nearby residence of the University of Hong Kong. The cost is around US$80/night. Participants should make their own travel arrangements; visitors from most countries require no visa.
If you have any questions regarding accommodation and travel, please contact us at email: asi2009@hku.hk.

Further details on the technical programme and other arrangements of the ASI will be available on the ASI homepage and in the Final Announcement. For queries please contact the Secretariat:

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