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- Registration (thru 15 March) \$550 US
- Late & Onsite (after 15 March) \$650 US
- Group Rate for 5 or more \$400 US
- PGA Golf Tournament \$135 US

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An emerging biofuels industry is on the horizon for many countries in Central America. Sugar cane, the region's primary feedstock, holds great promise for developing a global biofuels program. In addition, technologies previously only used by distilleries now provide the foundation for biofuels production. This conference, which will provide education and networking opportunities, will establish the region as the new energy player in the Americas.

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a global perspective on biofuels  
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## Preliminary Agenda Topics

### Caribbean Basin Initiative (CBI)

The delivery of ethanol and other products through the CBI has been available for nearly two decades. Learn how to develop an international marketing strategy by identifying partners and programs that will allow the market to expand internationally.

### Kyoto Protocol: The Clean Air Standards

The Kyoto Protocol is the most important global effort to date to address the reduction of greenhouse gases worldwide. Many countries are realizing that the use of alternative energy will help them comply with these new standards.

### Government Incentives in Central America

The support for ethanol production is expanding and many Central American countries have established incentives as part of their energy independence and economic development initiatives. Learn from government officials and legal experts from around the region.

### Understanding the Legal Issues

Many countries are debating legislation, including tax incentives and credits towards building plants, that will be favorable to biofuels. Construction of new plants as well as farming investor partnerships will require government programs to support the industry in Central America.

### Global Update on Ethanol Production

The global development of biofuels is changing the energy landscape and creating opportunities for local and regional economies, fostering energy independence and reducing the carbon emissions from fossil fuels. Learn how countries and local provinces are developing plans for new biofuels plants.

### Update on Brazil Ethanol Production

Brazil is the largest global producer of ethanol. Learn about the fast growing export market in Brazil and how they are preparing for a renewable energy future.

### Ethanol Futures, Options and Hedging

Just recently ethanol achieved commodity status. In 2004, the New York Board of Trade (NYBOT) introduced a futures and an options contract for sugar-derived ethanol. In 2005, the Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT) will introduce a futures contract for corn-based ethanol. Learn how these two platforms trade ethanol through futures, options and hedging.

### Managing Risk in Production Facilities

The biggest threat to an expanding biofuels industry in domestic and foreign markets is the risk of assets. With investments in ethanol and biodiesel plants now exceeding \$100M, the need for creating a risk management plan for production, plant protection, transport and accounting is critical for investors and stakeholders.

### Securing Financing and Venture Capital

The financing and investment in ethanol and biodiesel plants is moving towards institutional ownership and possible acquisitions. The risks and available capital for new projects worldwide are reaching new markets and have Wall Street's attention. Learn where the investment is going and what the future holds for financing projects.

### Flex-fuel and Hybrid Vehicles

The automobile industry continues to develop plans for vehicles that will be powered by ethanol, biodiesel and electricity to reduce the use of fossil fuels and natural gas.

### The New Sugar to Ethanol Technology

Another wave of interest in expanding facilities, using sugar as the primary feedstock, has been created through the introduction of nanotechnology and biotechnology in dehydration and enzyme development.

All conference proceedings will be held at the Real InterContinental Costa Rica Hotel. Prospero Fernandex Hwy & Blvd, San José, 1000 Costa Rica, [www.iccostarica.gruporeal.com](http://www.iccostarica.gruporeal.com)

Look for schedule updates on the conference website, [www.biofuelsconferences.com](http://www.biofuelsconferences.com).

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### PGA Golf Tournament

8:00am, Friday 1 April 2005

The premier golf tournament at Valle del Sol Golf Course includes a full day of golf, food and beverage service and provides an excellent opportunity to network with industry leaders. Transportation will be provided.

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## Hotel Location & Rates

Located amid tropical gardens, only 15 minutes from Juan Santamaria International Airport and ten minutes from downtown San José, the Real InterContinental Costa Rica Hotel is close to an array of businesses, stores, movie theaters and fast-food restaurants and faces the modern Multiplaza Mall. The room rate is \$135 US per night for both single and double occupancy. To make reservations please call 506.2897000 or fax 506.2898930 and be sure to reference the **Central Biofuels Conference** to ensure the discount.

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