



23rd October 2011

To:
Patricia Rich
Chair, Palaeontology
Founding Director,
Monash Science Centre
Monash University

Dear Prof. Rich,

It is our great pleasure to invite you to participate in the upcoming Winter Enrichment Program (WEP) 2012 at King Abdullah University of Science and Technology in Thuwal, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

WEP is a two-week session in between the fall and spring academic semesters at KAUST, each academic year. WEP is a distinguished and notable event for KAUST and has become a much-anticipated time of the year for the entire community. Our mission is to inspire and broaden the student and community experience at KAUST with events, projects and talks that go beyond the traditional academic curriculum.

We are very interested in having you giving a lecture related to your research work and adding some comments on your carrier as a woman. The lecture is scheduled for 40 minutes with 5 minutes discussion on Wednesday 25th January afternoon during the session "Women in Science Afternoon Lectures".

Besides this lecture we are inviting you to coordinate a two-day workshop with your colleagues (Tom Rich, Timothy Rich, Peter Trusler, Fayek Kattan) on the topic: "Reconstructing the Past. Where Art and Science Meet to Aid Us in Picturing our Earth through more than 600 million" scheduled on Tuesday 24th in time slot: 1:30-4:30 PM and 25th January in time slot: 9:30-11:30 AM with a "field trip" on campus scheduled on Thursday 26th afternoon.

KAUST will cover all travel to and from airports, business class airfare, lodging, meals, and visa expenses. Participation in WEP carries an honorarium of 1200 USD.

Thank you very much. We look forward to welcoming you to KAUST.

Best regards,

Prof. Alyn Rockwood
Chair, WEP