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Dear Colleagues:

On Wednesday, September 8, 2004 Stony Brook University will host the first annual Stony Brook Human Evolution Symposium convened by Richard Leakey.

The symposium will precede a retreat style workshop that will engage the world's leading experts in discussions concerning the African Origins of Modern Humans. The symposium will feature talks and panel discussions by most of the workshop participants. These will be at a level accessible to graduate students and advanced undergraduates, to anthropologists as well as those whose speciality is in another field. Advance registration for the conference is required to guarantee seating and is FREE for Stony Brook students, faculty, and staff. People wishing to receive the souvenir symposium package may pay \$10 to obtain this. Following the scientific program there will be a speakers' reception for which participants must be over 21 and for which there is a \$25 fee.

This group of scientists has rarely, if ever, been assembled for a program available to colleagues, students and interested members of the public. Please share this announcement with colleagues and students who might be interested to attend. Further details, program, speaker biographies and registration materials may be found at: <http://www.stonybrook.edu/sb/humanevolution/>

I look forward to seeing you and your students at the symposium on September 8.

Sincerely,

Robert L. McGrath
Provost & Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs