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REGISTRATION FEE

The registration fee includes: participation, proceedings, welcoming reception, coffee and lunches, technical visit. Gala dinner and touristic visits are not included in the registration fee. The conference fee is expected to be between 200€ and 300€.

EXHIBITION OPPORTUNITIES

Exhibition areas will be provided, against very convenient payment, for companies and institutions who would like to exhibit their products, software and services. All interested in this opportunity are kindly asked to express their interest by contacting via e-mail until June 2015.

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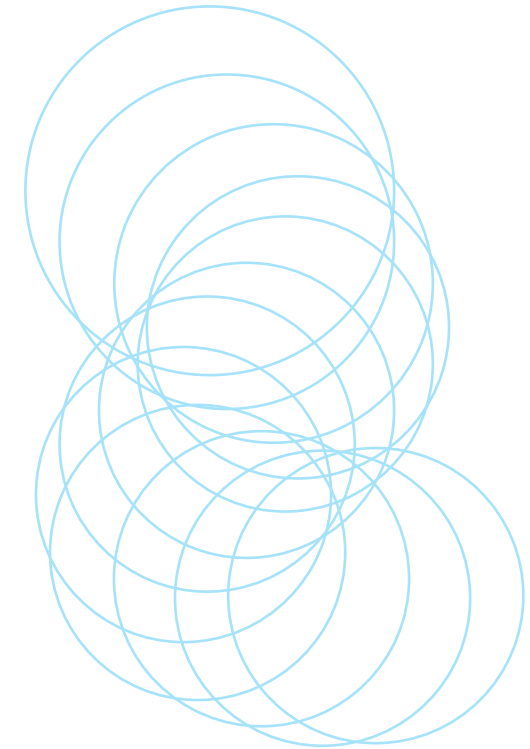
IMPORTANT DATES

Conference notification:	May, 2014
Abstract submission:	November, 2014
Abstract acceptance:	December, 2014
Paper submission:	June, 2015
Paper acceptance:	July, 2015
Early registration:	September, 2015
Late registration:	(conference date)
Conference date:	October/November, 2015

GEO-ENVIRONMENT AND CONSTRUCTION

European Conference in Geo-Environment and Construction

October/November, 2015
Tirana, Albania



Event organizers:

POLIS University
Albanian Geotechnical Society (AGS)
Co-PLAN Institute for Habitat Development

With the support of:

International Society of Soil Mechanics and
Geotechnical Engineering (Europe region)



WELCOME

POLIS University, the Albanian Geotechnical Society and Co-PLAN are pleased to invite you to the European Conference on Geo-Environment and Construction. The conference aims to provide a comprehensive coverage of theoretical and practical insights regarding geotechnical engineering, environmental issues and construction. This initiative is supported by the International Society of Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering. Engineers, researchers and professionals from all over Europe are invited and encouraged to participate in this conference in order to submit written contributions and also to present their works.



ABOUT TIRANA

Tirana is the capital and also the biggest city of Albania. It lies in between the Dajti Mountain (1620m high and accessible with cable car within 15 – 20 minutes) and Adriatic Sea (35 km in the West of the city). The city can be reached by flight using the Tirana International Airport (located 15 km from the city center), by ferry via Italian coast using the Durres Harbor (located 30 km from Tirana), or by means of driving through Kosovo (custom point of Morine), Montenegro (custom points of Hani i Hotit and Murriqan), Greece (custom points of Kapshtice and Kakavije), and Macedonia (custom point of Qafethane). Being the major city in the region, the industry, administration, economic activity, cultural and educational facilities have long been centered here. In the last years particularly, Tirana has been identified as an academic area, by locating many universities, academic institutions and research units. After the '90s the city has enlarged and developed in infrastructure and buildings, and now almost 700,000 habitants resides there.

While the metropolitan area Durres-Tirana counts 1,000,000 inhabitants. Tirana has a Mediterranean climate which has contributed in having rich and diverse vegetation. The minimum and maximum temperatures in the period October-November are respectively around 10°C and 20°C. The city is also home of many historical and cultural landmarks such as the Tirana Castle, Clock Tower of Tirana, Petrele Castle, National Historic Museum, National Gallery, Opera House, etc. In the recent years tourism is booming in Tirana, which is also very famous for its culinary. For more details please visit the web site <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tirana>.

VENUE

The conference will be held at POLIS University (<http://www.universitetipolis.edu.al/>) which is located in the Tirana-Durres highway, 5km from the city center. The university campus is accessible by several bus lines (20minutes) or by taxi (10minutes).



PROGRAM

The conference will be held in 3 days between October/November 2015. Technical papers will be presented in the first two days in several sessions and at the beginning of each session it will be a keynote lecture from invited professors. Keynote lectures are going to be 20 minutes long, while technical paper presentations are 10 minutes (in Power Point presentation format). Poster presentations will also be available upon preliminary request. The third day includes a technical visit in one important Albanian landmark, which will be decided later according to the number of participants.

This visit aims to create relaxing and informative environment for conference participants and also for accompanying persons. They will have the possibility to somehow explore Albanian nature, history, food and other traditions.

TOPICS

The conference topics include all aspects of geo-environment and construction fields. The aim of the conference is to present achievements and on this respect, to evidence what have been the main challenges and to introduce what appropriate approaches can be used. Professional interaction and mutual experience interchange are important aspects of this event. Some of the main conference topics are:

Geotechnical Engineering and Environment

- Infrastructural geotechnical engineering
- Geotechnical engineering related to industrial areas, mining industry and power plants
- Environmental geotechnical engineering
- Irrigation system and environment
- Slope stability and their impact on environment

Construction

- Foundation engineering
- Soil mechanics
- Underground construction and deep excavations
- Impact of geotechnical phenomena in architectural design
- Geotechnical engineering of historical and cultural monuments
- New technologies in geotechnical engineering
- Seismic structural design
- Case studies
- Structural Aesthetic Design
- Coordination between academic and practice experience in construction

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Authors are asked to submit their abstracts to the contact person by e-mail within November, 2014. Abstracts should be less than 300 words long and should also contain the following information: title, author, affiliation and contact. The official conference languages are English and Albanian.