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INCO-MED AMMAN 2004 CONFERENCE



Following the success of its Amman 2001 Conference, MedAqua is announcing the a follow-up in June 2004, the

**AMMAN 2004 Joint INCO-MED Conference
Amman, Jordan - June 14 & 15, 2004**

This 2-day event will focus on the water problems in the South Mediterranean Region that are still growing rapidly. Research is ongoing everywhere to better understand and combat scarce resources, waste of resources, more efficient irrigation etc.

The Amman 2004 Conference aims at bringing these researchers together and provide an open platform for scientific exchange, discussions with user associations and utilities and for developing new research ideas for the future.

This conference addresses in particular all ongoing and completed INCO-MED projects in the water domain. It is of course open to all other organisations and individual researchers working in this field.

The main topics to be addressed are:

- Management Policies: Comprehensive policy for integrated water planning
- Agriculture: Improving the water consumption by users; plant breeding for efficient water and nutrient use
- Technologies:
 - ◊ Compare modern and traditional technologies, and approaches to water savings and sustainable irrigation
 - ◊ Advanced water treatment, re-use and energy implications
- Desalination: New techniques based on renewable energies

The first MedAqua INCO-MED Conference took place in Amman, from June 11 to June 13, 2001, held under the Patronage of the Ministry of Water and Irrigation, Jordan. More than 100 participants from 7 South Mediterranean and 8 European countries were present and 42 presentations were given. Abstracts and Presentations and the list of all participants are available on the MedAqua site www.MedAqua.org.

Many new INCO projects are ongoing in the Mediterranean Region in the Framework 5 Programme of the European Commission and more are expected in the new FP 6. 13 projects are dealing with Management Policies, 8 with Agriculture and 10 with water technologies.

Many of these are expected to present their results at the Amman 2004 Conference.

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Programme Outline

Country Positions

Position Presentations are expected to be given by local ministries, agencies or administration bodies in charge of water management. They will focus on specific needs of the Mediterranean countries and will set the general scene for the scientific part of the Conference.

Scientific Sessions

Ongoing and past INCO Projects are expected to present their work in 30 min sessions.

The INCO-MED Open Call

Presentation of the open call of the INCO Programme, with a deadline for proposals in September 2004.

MEDA Water Programme

Presentations about and by the new projects in the MEDA Water Programme are invited in order to establish links with the INCO-MED community.

Proceedings

The proceedings of this conference will be published in electronic form on the MedAqua web-site and on CDROM.

A paper copy of all abstracts will be available at the conference.

Project Meetings

Projects are encouraged to hold their internal meetings in conjunction with the conference. Meeting facilities can be made available and if projects wish to make use of this they should contact the organiser under info@medaqua.org before 29/2/2004.

Posters and Exhibition

Space for displaying posters will be provided. Participants, who also want to exhibit should indicate this with a short description of the exhibit before 29/2/2004.

Registration

Registration fees are 150 Euro for Europeans and 50 JD for participants from the South Mediterranean Countries.

All participants should register on the MedAqua web-site or by directly contacting one of the local MedAqua partners listed below.

Submission of Papers

Abstracts of 500 words are invited. They should be sent by email to info@medaqua.org, subject "Amman2004". Accepted presentations will be published on the MedAqua web site. Authors can choose two different styles of paper presentation:

Document Style: If the presentation is primarily text-based, with no or few graphics, this is the preferred style. The final paper should not be longer than 10 pages, A4 and 12 pt.

Slide Style: If the presentation contains a large number of graphics, a PowerPoint presentation of up to 12 slides can be submitted. The minimum text size must be 16 pt.

Deadlines:

Abstracts: 15/4/2004

Final Presentation: 24/5/2004

The MedAqua Project

MedAqua is a project with partners from Europe and the Middle East Region, now running in its second phase as MedAqua II. Its overall objective is to provide a link between researchers and research projects in the water domain, focusing on the entire South Mediterranean Region. The two instruments to achieve this objective are

- The Amman 2004 Conference
- The web-site www.MedAqua.org

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