Dear Colleague,

The Adaptation Strategies to Global Environmental Change in the Mediterranean City and the Role of Global Earth Observations Conference is taking place in Athens, Greece, 10-11 June 2014.

The Conference is gathering Mediterranean-climate cities, scientists, policy makers, elected officials, corporate sustainability leaders, engineers, planners, natural resource managers, NGOs and interested individuals to discuss the adaptation challenges to impacts posed by climate change to Mediterranean-climate cities. Earth observation-based services, tools and options for adaptation strategies are demonstrated with the aim to identify best adaptation programs and approaches to global environmental change in Mediterranean-climate cities.

Distinguished scientists, primary stakeholders, end-users of satellite services and high-level officials are providing insight into adaptation strategies on local, national and international level. The Conference structured with break out sessions, poster sessions and discussion panels is offering ample opportunity to participants to contribute their insights to address adaptation challenges, to learn of and discuss the latest adaptation strategies, EO-based services and methods of implementation. The Conference is a unique opportunity to meet and interact with climate change adaptation experts, scientists, politicians, policy makers.

Confirmed keynote speakers and tentative agenda are available at the Conference website: http://www.mariolopoulosfoundation.gr/medcity2014/

Online registration to the Conference is open. Early Bird Registration rates are available through 4th May.

We welcome your participation in this important event and we look forward to your attendance and contribution.

Please secure your participation by registering now!

The Conference will be followed for one and a half day by the 8th GEO European Project Workshop which will be the opportunity to present concrete examples of Earth Observation activities relevant to adaptation strategies.

On behalf of the Organizing Committee
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