

DAY 1 (18 MAY 2018) | Scientific Programme |

07:45-08:45 REGISTRATION & WELCOME COFFEE

08:45-09:35 **SESSION #1 - “The Issue & The Challenge”** - Chairperson: Dan Olof RISKÅ

Costas PAPANICOLAS (Cyl) - Welcoming address

Laurent FABIUS (Former Prime Minister, France) - “Action against climate change: where do we stand?”

Nikos ANASTASIADES (President of the Republic of Cyprus)

09:35-10:00 COFFEE BREAK “Pentadaktylos” Restaurant

10:00-11:40 **SESSION #2 – “The Scientific basis”** - Chairperson: Euripides STEPHANOU (Cyl)

Petteri TAALAS (WMO) – “The climate in 2017: focus on the Mediterranean and the Middle East”

Abdallah MOKSSIT (IPCC) – “Three decades of climate change science : Focus on the Mediterranean Region”

Vladimir RYABININ (UNESCO-IOC) – “Oceanographic dimension of the climate change in the Mediterranean”

Filippo GIORGI (ICTP) – “A review of climate change projections for the Mediterranean regions”

Nikos MIHALOPOULOS (NOA) – “Mediterranean and Middle East air pollution in a changing climate”

11:40-12:40 **Panel Discussion #A: “The Scientific basis”**

Moderator/Convener : Michel JARRAUD (Former WMO)

Participants: P. CIAIS, M. KULMALA, P. TAALAS, A. MOKSSIT, V. RYABININ, N. MIHALOPOULOS, E. STEPHANOU, F. GIORGI

12:40-13:40 LUNCH “Pentadaktylos” Restaurant

13:40-15:00 **SESSION #3 – “Impacts”** - Chairperson: Silas MICHAELIDES (former DoM, Cyl)

George CHRISTOPHIDES (ICL, Cyl) – “Health impacts: the spread of vector-borne diseases”

Jos LELIEVELD (MPIC, Cyl), “Climate change, weather extremes and Impacts”

Taleb RIFAI (Former WTO) – “Tourism, A vector and a victim of climate change”

Kerstin NEUMANN (IPK) – “Agriculture and Animal Husbandry in a Changing Climate”

15:00-15:30 COFFEE BREAK “Pentadaktylos” Restaurant

15:30-17:10 **SESSION #4 – “Challenges”** - Chairperson: Refâat CHAABOUNI (Univ. Tunis El-Manar)

Thorsten KIEFER (Future Earth) - “Aiming for multiple goals with one shot - the Paris Agreement and the Sustainable Development Goals”

Arnault GRAVES (UfM) - “The Union for the Mediterranean main Climate Actions”

Loucas CHRISTOPHOROU (Academy Athens) - “Emerging world-wide energy trends and long-range energy planning”

Fadi COMAIR (Ministry Energy & Water, Lebanon) - “Hydro-diplomacy and the Nexus adaptation climate Change in the MENA Region”

Rabi MOHTAR (AUB) - “Climate change impact on water and food and the role of the water energy food nexus”

17:15-18:30 **Panel Discussion #B: “Impacts and Challenges”**

Moderator/Convener: Theodore PANAYOTOU (CIIM)

Participants: P. KELAMIS, P. POLYCARPOU, K. NEUMANN, T. RIFAI, L. CHRISTOPHOROU, F. COMAIR, R. MOHTAR, R. CHAABOUNI, A. GRAVES, J. LELIEVELD, G. CHRISTOPHIDES

End of day #1 of the Conference

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08:00-08:40 REGISTRATION & WELCOME COFFEE

08:40-10:40 **SESSION #5 – “Mitigation & Adaptation: New initiatives”** Chairperson: **Vassilis TSAKALOS** (RPF)

Wolfgang CRAMER (MedECC) - “Environmental change represents multiple risks for sustainable development in the Mediterranean Basin”
Theodoulos MESIMERIS (DoE) - “Climate Change Mitigation & Adaptation National Plans”
Charles ELLINAS (eCNHC) – “Challenges to a smooth energy transition”
Khaled TOUKAN (SESAME) – “Jordan’s Energy Profile in Transition”
Manuel J. BLANCO (Cyl) – “The role of Concentrating Solar Thermal technologies in the Global Energy Transition”
Lassina ZERBO (CTBTO) – “Innovative Solutions to Climate Change: the Contribution of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization”

10:40-11:10 COFFEE BREAK “Pentadaktylos” Restaurant

11:10-12:10 **Panel Discussion #C: “Mitigation & Adaptation: New Initiatives”**

Moderator/Convener: **Phoebe KOUNDOURI** (UAEB)

Participants: **P. HADJINICOLAOU, G. PENINTAEX, W. CRAMER, T. MESIMERIS, L. ZERBO, M. BLANCO, C. ELLINAS**

12:10-13:20 LUNCH “Pentadaktylos” Restaurant

13:20-15:00 **SESSION #6 – “Policy Challenges & Policy Options”** Chairperson: **Joanna HAIGH** (ICL)

George PAPANDREOU (Former Prime Minister, Greece)
Massimo INGUSCIO (CNR) - “Facing climate change, a Mediterranean perspective”
Richard COOPER, (Harvard Univ.) - “Pricing versus cap-and-trade: the case for a global price”
Androulla VASSILIOU (former EU Commissioner for Health, Education, Culture, Multilingualism & Youth) “Education Crucial to Combating Climate Change as well as for Climate Change Adaptation”
Anastasios GIANNITSIS (former Minister Interior, Greece) - “Climate change: Economic & social governance challenges in Eastern Mediterranean”

15:00-16:00 **Panel Discussion #D: “Policy: Addressing the Challenges”**

Moderator/Convener: **Edouard BREZIN** (ENS)

Participants: **A. ALAOUI BENSALAH, H. HELAL, T. THEMISTOKLEOUS, G. PAPANDREOU, M. INGUSCIO, R. COOPER, A. VASILIOU, T. GIANNITSIS, J. HAIGH**

16:00-16:30 COFFEE BREAK “Pentadaktylos” Restaurant

16:30-17:50 **SESSION#7 – Concluding Session** Chairperson: **Costas PAPANICOLAS** (Cyl)

Jeffrey SACHS (Columbia Univ., SDSN) “Climate change: The Middle East North Africa Challenge”
Christos STYLIANIDES (EU Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid & Crisis Management) “The challenge of Climate Change and the rescEU proposal to strengthen the European system of civil protection”
Jean SCIARE (Cyl) – “Addressing climate changes in the EMME region: The research frontier”
L. FABIUS - Closing Ceremony

End of the Conference