



NEAR EAST UNIVERSITY

**WPMC 2019  
2ND INTERNATIONAL  
CONFERENCE ON**



**WATER PROBLEMS  
IN THE MEDITERRANEAN  
COUNTRIES  
6-10 MAY 2019**

NEAR EAST UNIVERSITY NICOSIA, NORTH CYPRUS

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## **Welcome to WPMC 2019**

We are pleased to announce the **2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Water Problems in the Mediterranean Countries** including the **2019 International Workshop on Global Change Impact on Water Resources**, which will be held on 6-10 May 2019 at Near East University in Nicosia, North Cyprus. We have a strong programme planned this year, which is supported by a workshop and many esteemed invited guest speakers.

Our first International Conference on Water Problems in the Mediterranean Region was successfully held in 1997. During the first conference, we had the opportunity to discuss all aspects of water problems in the Mediterranean with contributions from the countries within this region. In addition, new scientific developments were discussed with the participation of well-known scientists, providing an insight into the latest research.

Water is still one of the most significant problems in the world and especially in the Mediterranean region. In this conference, all possible approaches and suggestions aimed at finding solutions to overcome water scarcity, better alternatives to treat wastewater and ensuring access to clean water for all communities are valuable subjects that will be discussed in order to direct authorities to take a step further towards overcoming water-related problems for everyone around the world.

All participants will have the opportunity to connect with experts on wastewater treatment techniques, eco-hydrology, hydro informatics, emerging pollutants in water resources and water management from all over the world. They will have the chance to discuss, collect information and learn innovative approaches from leading specialists in these fields. Moreover, all water-related challenges will be discussed at this conference, as we are expecting to welcome more than 400 participants including water experts, researchers, and decision-makers from all over the world. We are excitedly looking forward to welcoming you to beautiful North Cyprus.

As the president of the conference, I look forward to meeting all of you.

Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Gökçekuş

**President of the Conference**

Dean, Faculty of Civil and Environmental Engineering

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## CONFERENCE TOPICS

### a. Water and Society

- i. Water History and Culture
- ii. Water Security and Diplomacy
- iii. Water Law and Directives
- iv. Water in the UN and EU
- v. Water for Sustainable Cities
- vi. Women and Water
- vii. Water and Sanitation
- viii. Water Scarcity
- ix. Water, Food, and Energy
- x. Groundwater Abstraction
- xi. Groundwater Pollution

### b. Science of Water

- i. Water Resources
- ii. Water Supply
- iii. Water Quality
- iv. Hydraulics, Hydrology, and Hydrogeology
- v. Water Resources Management
- vi. Wastewater Treatment and Management
- vii. Groundwater Modelling and Management
- viii. Industrial Water and Wastewater Management
- ix. Emerging Pollutants in Water Resources
- x. Microbial Contaminants in Water Resources
- xi. Limnology, Oceanography, Coastal Processes and Environmental Quality
- xii. Eco-hydrology
- xiii. Water Reclamation and Reuse
- xiv. Water and Climate Change
- xv. Hydro-informatics
- xvi. Droughts and Their Impacts
- xvii. Floods and Flash Floods

- c. Sea water and environment
  - i. Seawater Pollution
  - ii. Sea Waves
  - iii. Tropical Storms Tsunami
  - iv. Coastal Erosion and Geomorphology
  - v. Marine Renewable Energy
  - vi. Salt Water Intrusion in Coastal Aquifers

### Registration Fees and Dates

<b><i>NOTE: All fees are in EUROS</i></b>	<b>Early Registration Fees</b> (by January 15, 2019)	<b>Regular Registration Fees</b> (by February 15, 2019)	<b>Late Registration Fees</b> (by March 31, 2019)	<b>On-site registration</b> (6-10 May 2019)
<b>Full Conference Registration</b>	<b>€ 210</b>	<b>€ 230</b>	<b>€ 250</b>	<b>€ 250</b>
<b>Full Conference Registration</b> (Students + TRNC Citizens ONLY)	<b>€ 190</b>	<b>€ 210</b>	<b>€ 230</b>	<b>€ 230</b>

- Conference registration **does not** include conference workshops, which have an additional fee (listed in the below chart).

<b>Workshops</b>	<b>15 Hours</b>	<b>30 Hours</b>	<b>45 Hours</b>
<b>Fee</b>	<b>€ 300</b>	<b>€ 400</b>	<b>€ 500</b>
<b>Fee for Students</b>	<b>€ 250</b>	<b>€ 350</b>	<b>€ 450</b>

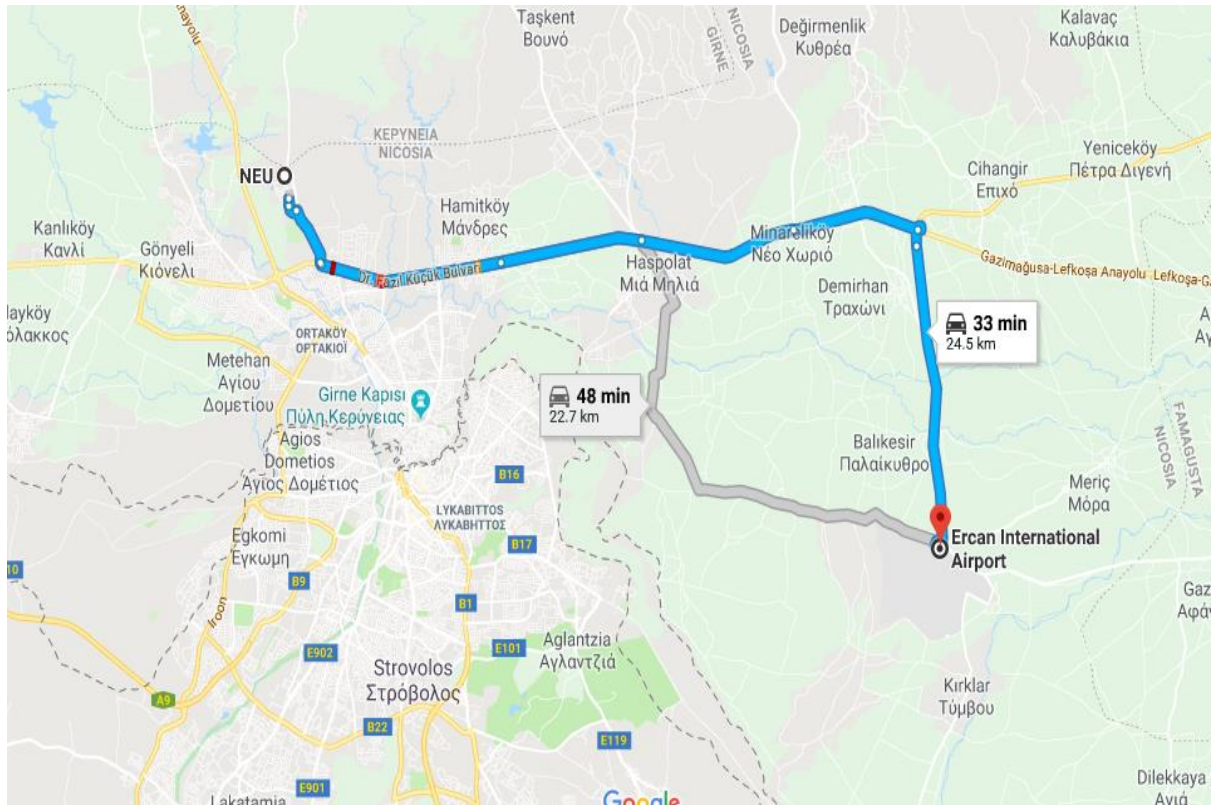
#### Full registration includes the following:

- Delegate Bag and Conference Materials (Handbook, Badge, etc.)
- Access to all conference events and exhibit hall
- A luncheon on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday
- Opening and Closing receptions
- Conference registration **does not** include conference workshops, which have an additional fee (listed in the above chart).

#### Terms of Cancellation:

- Cancellation before February 20, 2019:  
Full refund minus 60 EUR handling fee.
- Cancellation after February 20, 2019: No refund.

## How to reach the Conference Site at Near East University



Transportation to and from Ercan Airport will be provided for the conference participants free of charge by Near East University.

### Conference Venue

Atatürk Culture and Congress Centre,  
İrfan Günsel Culture and Congress Hall,  
Grand Library Conference Rooms

## Call for Contributions

All high-quality research contributions describing original and unpublished results of conceptual, constructive, empirical, experimental, or theoretical work in all areas of Water Engineering and Management are cordially invited for the paper/poster presentations at the conference. All participants whose abstracts are accepted are eligible to present at the conference without the necessity to submit a full paper. A maximum of 3 abstracts can be submitted: no participant may be the first author of more than one oral paper and two posters.

## Conference Proceedings

All submitted conference papers will be blind peer reviewed by the Scientific Committee. The peer-reviewed conference proceedings are indexed in the International Science Index (ISI), Google Scholar, and other index databases.

## Special Journal Issues

Selected papers will have the opportunity to be considered for publication in several **Springer journals as a special issue** according to their level of contribution. **Desalination and Water Treatment Journal** is one of the journals where the selected papers will be published in a special issue. The paper selection will be carried out during the peer review process. Submitted papers must not be under consideration by any other journal or publication. The final decision for paper selection will be made jointly based on peer review reports by the Guest Editors and the Editor-in-Chief. The participants who do not attend and present their work at the conference will not be considered for paper publication in any journal.

## GUIDELINES

Sample templates for full paper submission, poster and oral presentation are provided. You are free to use the provided poster template. Please use the full paper template and poster presentation template provided.

**Final Submission:** Submission of abstracts and full papers can be made through the conference web site.

**Presentations:** Standard presentations are scheduled for 15 minutes each. The 15 minutes includes a 10 minute presentation and a 5 minute Q&A session. Each hall will include all tools required for oral presentation.

#### **Poster and Oral Presentation Award**

1. The score is given based on: (a) scientific content (50%), (b) presentation to audience (30%), and (c) poster design (20%);
2. If presenters do not attend the poster session, their poster will not be considered for the award.

#### **Important Dates**

<b>Abstract Submission Deadline</b>	<b>January 31, 2019</b>
<b>Notification of Abstract Acceptance</b>	<b>February 28, 2019</b>
<b>Full Paper Submission Deadline</b>	<b>March 31, 2019</b>
<b>Notification of Full Paper Acceptance</b>	<b>April 15, 2019</b>
<b>Date of Conference</b>	<b>May 6-10, 2019</b>

### **WORKSHOP**

#### **The Impact of Global Climate Change on Water Resources**

The workshop sessions will take place during the conference in parallel to the conference sessions; the times of the workshops will be detailed and announced later. Three different sessions of workshops will be provided and at the end of each session, a certificate will be provided based on the number of hours attended.

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