



International Conference

Building Eco-Neighbourhoods in the Mediterranean: Sustainable cities and local governance

Thursday 17 – Friday 18 April 2008

Hotel Titania, Panepistimiou 52, Athens 10678, Greece

A conference of the MED ECO-QUARTIERS Euro-Mediterranean network

For more info: <http://med-ecoquartiers.eu>

Organised by MEDITERRANEAN SOS Network (Greece)

In the framework of the INTERREG IIB MEDOCC project [Med-EcoQuartiers](#)*

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Under the auspices of:

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Local Union of Municipalities and Town Councils of Attica (TEDKNA)

* **Med-EcoQuartiers partnership's European members:** Ville de Pézenas, Ayuntamiento de Dos Hermanas, Comune di Faenza, Municipality of Elefsina, Hellenic Workers' Housing Organisation, Néopolis, Afnor, Fundación Laboral de la Construcción de Andalucía, Università degli Studi di Genova, Mediterranean SOS Network



DAILY PROGRAMME

Tuesday 15 April

Arrivals of international guests

Social evening (details to be announced)

Wednesday 16 April – PREPARATORY DAY

09.00 - 17.00 : Meeting of Technical and Steering Committees

➔ reserved for INTERREG IIB MEDOCC project “Med Eco-Quartiers” partnership

17.00 - 21.00 : Guided tour to places of urban environmental interest (optional)

Visit to Elefsina (archaeological site, urban interventions, social housing neighbourhood)

- Dinner kindly hosted by George Abatzoglou, Mayor of Elefsina

20.00 - 22.00 :

Parallel event at the conference venue

Official opening and presentation to the public of the photo exhibition “*Metropolis & the Environment*” created by students of **AKTO - Athens Art & Design College**





Thursday 17 April – CONFERENCE 1st DAY

9.00 - 9.30 : Registrations

9.30 - 10.15 : Welcome from the organisers & institutional supporters

→ Chair: George Abatzoglou, Mayor of Elefsina
Alain Vogel-Singer, Mayor of Pézenas

→ Kostis Chatzidakis, Minister of Transport and Communications (*)

→ George Kasimatis, Director-General, Office of the European Parliament in Athens

→ Nikos Fintikakis, Representative of the President of the Technical Chamber of Greece

10.15 - 12.00 : The Mediterranean City & policies for sustainable urban development

Chair: Carmen Gil, City Councillor of Economic Development, Dos Hermanas (Spain)

→ Prof. Giovanni Spalla, Urbanist, DICAT Department of Civil, Environmental and Architectural Engineering, University of Genoa: *Historic urban typologies towards a new model of Mediterranean Eco-Neighbourhoods*

→ Margarita Karavassili, Dr Architect, Urbanist, Scientific Advisor of International Union of Architects (UIA) International Work Programme Architecture and Renewable Energy Sources (ARES): *Opportunities and obstacles in the way to a sustainable city*

→ Raphaël Souchier, General Delegate, AVEC-Alliance of European Cultural Cities: *Sustainable historic cities in Europe: the "Qualicities" approach [www.qualicities.org]*

→ Benjamin Gill, Director, BioRegional Consulting, UK: *Presentation on the background to One Planet Living and some of the initiatives*

→ Gaël Léopold, Coordinator, One Planet Living (francophone Europe), WWF International: *Presentation of OPL's pioneer project in Mata de Sesimbra, Portugal*

12.00 - 12.15 : Coffee break





12.15 - 14.00 : Towards eco-friendly cities: a multi-dimensional endeavour

Chair: George Abatzoglou, Mayor of Elefsina (Greece) (*)

(Thematic presentations & debate)

- Panayota Kaperoni, Architect-Urbanist & Julia Georgi, Landscape Architect, Hellenic Ministry of Environment, Physical Planning and Public Works: *Interventions in urban open spaces and their importance for sustainability in Greek cities*
- Alexandros Vrachnos, President of the Committee on "Green Transport", Hellenic Ministry of Transport and Communications: *Energy-saving initiatives in urban mobility*
- Maro Evangelidou, Architect-Urbanist, Member of the Technical Chamber of Greece Standing Committee for Local Administration: *Urban environment and good governance*
- Maria Kikira, CRES - Centre for Renewable Energy Sources: *Bioclimatic design of public open spaces*
- Evi Tzanakaki, CRES - Centre for Renewable Energy Sources: *Energy efficiency in buildings*
- Nikos Chrysoyelos, President, Mediterranean SOS Network: *Steps to achieve sustainable resources management in the Greek city: watersaving, recycling, applying renewable energy sources*

14.00 - 15.00 : Buffet lunch

15.00 - 17.00 : Presentation of 'Med Eco-Quartiers' project research & tools

Chair: Raphaël Souchier, Director, ADD Europe; lead expert, Med-EcoQuartiers project

(Presentations followed by interventions & debate)

- Jean-Marie Busseuil, President, Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Drôme (France): *Introduction: Stakes and problematic of a sustainable Mediterranean neighbourhood*
- Fatma Bensalem, French Association of normalisation: *Med-Eco-Urbanism: a tool to help the decision to build an eco-neighbourhood*
- Julien Lamoulié, NEOPOLIS (France): *Med-EcoConstructability, a tool for sustainable construction*
- Silvia Laghi, Comune di Faenza: *A Mediterranean eco-neighbourhood project: S.Rocco – Faenza*
- Alain Vogel-Singer, Mayor, Ville de Pézenas: *Conclusions*

20.00 - 22.00 : Social night out & dinner for invited conference participants

Kindly hosted by Dimitris Kalogeropoulos, President of the Local Union of Municipalities and Town Councils of Attica (TEDKNA), Mayor of the Municipality of Egaleo





Friday 18 April – CONFERENCE 2nd DAY

9.00 - 9.30 : Registrations

9.30 - 10.15 : Welcome from the organisers & institutional supporters

- Chair: Nikos Chrysoyelos, MEDITERRANEAN SOS Network
- Nikitas Kaklamanis, Mayor of Athens (*)
- Dimitris Kalogeropoulos, President of TEDKNA - Local Union of Municipalities and Town Councils of Attica
- Ioannis Agapitidis, President of CRES - Centre for Renewable Energy Sources
- Antonis Sellianakis, President of OEK - Hellenic Workers' Housing Organisation

10.15 - 11.30 : Social Housing: Environmental and policy aspects

Chair: Antonis Papadopoulos, Representative of OEK - Hellenic Workers' Housing Organisation

- Anna-Maria Pozzo, FEDERCASA - Federazione italiana per la casa Roma, reporting for the CECODHAS (Comite Européen De Coordination De L'Habitat Social) working group "Sustainable Urban Development"
- Nuria Pedrals, General Director of Quality in Housing of the Catalan Government
- Antonis Papadopoulos, Representative of OEK - Hellenic Workers' Housing Organisation
- Representative of CRES - Centre for Renewable Energy Sources: Strategies to improve Energy Performance of Social housing

11.30 - 12.00 : Keynote speech

European Commissioner St. Dimas: "The European Strategy for the Urban Environment" (*)

12.00 - 12.15 : Coffee break

12.15 - 14.00 : Launching session of the Med-EcoQuartiers Euro-Mediterranean network


Chair: Michel Mas, City Councillor, Mayor of Pézenas

- Claudio Casadio, Mayor of Faenza: *Vision and objectives of the Med-EcoQuartiers Euro-Mediterranean network*
- Gianmichele Panarelli, Università di Chieti Pescara: *Presentation of Med-EcoQuartiers Euro-Mediterranean network Charter*
- Carlos A. Regolini, Architect, Technical University of Catalonia (UPC): *Presentation of the Urbact programme "Med EcoQuartiers" Work Group*
- Yannis Anagnostou, Mayor of Helioupoli, President of the Committee on Environment of TEDNKA: *Inter-municipal networking and cooperation for exchange of experience*
- Stella Kyvelou, President, SD-MED: Association Pour La Coopération En Développement Et En Construction Durables En Méditerranée (*)
- **Declarations of interest for participation in Med-EcoQuartiers Euro-Mediterranean network by representatives of partner & invited organisations**




14.00 - 15.00 : Buffet lunch

15.00 - 17.00 : Special session: Local Authorities on the way to sustainable cities



3-NITY project - "3-fold initiative for energy planning and sustainable development at local level"



Supported by: European Commission, Directorate-General for Energy and Transport, IEE-HKA1-Sustainable Energy Communities

- ➔ Chair: Evi Tzanakaki, CRES - Centre for Renewable Energy Sources: Presentation of the "3-NITY project"
- ➔ Representative of the Coalition of 21 Local Authorities (North-East Sector of the Prefecture of Athens)
- ➔ Anastasia Lagoudaki, Urban planner, Support and Evaluation Unit, Municipality of Athens (*)
- ➔ Nikos Zografakis, Director & Kostas Kalitsounakis, Project Manager, Regional Energy Agency of Crete, Greece: Actions for sustainable energy communities in Crete
- ➔ Takis Pappas, Managing Director, Development Company of Magnesia prefecture - ANEM SA: Presentation of ANEM activities
- ➔ Moskos P. Diamantopoulos, Association for the Development of West Athens, Thematic Expert for URBACT II: Exchanges of experience between European cities and actors

20.00 - 22.00 : Social night out & dinner for invited conference participants

(Details to be announced)

Saturday 19 April

10.30 - 13.00 : Guided tour to places of urban environmental interest (optional)

Visit to historic centre of Athens

Departures of international guests