



SOCIETY OF ENVIRONMENTAL GEOCHEMISTRY AND HEALTH 26TH EUROPEAN CONFERENCE – SEGHE 2008

2ND CIRCULAR

“Health Implications of Environmental Contamination”

Athens, Hellas

31st March – 2nd April, 2008

SEGHE 2008, is co-organised by the Greek Institute of Geology and Mineral Exploration (IGME) and the Faculty of Geology and Geoenvironment, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens (UOA) in Athens, Hellas from the 31st March to the 2nd April 2008. The conference will focus on *Health Implications of Environmental Contamination*. Oral and poster papers will be presented on all aspects of environmental geochemistry and its impacts on health. Contributions on health implications of mineral pollutants, especially asbestos and on studies of air pollution and health will be particularly welcome. Papers are invited from students and post-doctoral fellows, as well as from established researchers. Prizes will be awarded to the best oral and poster presentations by postgraduate research students.

Keynote Speakers

David Gee (European Environment Agency, Denmark): *Late onset environmental stressors: the implications for early prevention.*

Luc Hens (Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium): *Health impact assessment of motorised mobility.*

Klea Katsouyanni (National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Hellas): *Effects of ambient particles on health.*

Anthony J Newman Taylor (National Heart and Lung Institute, Imperial College London, UK): *Mineral dusts and disease.*

Polyxeni Nicolopoulou-Stamati (National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Hellas): *Environment and Health: Focusing on endocrine disruption.*

Olle Selinus (Geological Survey of Sweden): *Medical Geology.*

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Field Excursion

A field trip is planned on the 2nd April 2008 to the Lavrion area, 55 km south-east of the city of Athens, a unique site that combines geology, history, culture and environmental impact of ancient and recent mining and ore beneficiation activities.

Social Events

March 31st – Conference Dinner in the University of Athens Historical Building, “Kostis Palamas”, located in the centre of Athens.

April 2nd – Evening drinks at Poseidon Temple, Cape Sounion, with a chance to see a spectacular sunset.

Conference Location

National & Kapodistrian University of Athens

University Campus (Panepistimiopolis) Zographou

Athens, Greece

Registration and Abstract Submission

The deadline for abstract submission is extended to February 1st and cheap/ early registration March 1st 2008. Abstracts format should be downloaded from the conference website and submitted as email attachments to segh2008@geol.uoa.gr. For further details including registration form and how to apply for a limited number of student bursaries see the SEGHE 2008 website:

<http://conferences.geol.uoa.gr/segh2008/>

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