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CONFERENCE ON

“SUSTAINABILITY AND TRANSPORT MULTIMODALITY”

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The “Geoprogess Global Forum (GGF)” is an international initiative promoted by the *Geoprogess Journal*, which is an open access e-journal, submitted to a double-blind peer review, edited by Geoprogess. This is a non-profit organisation founded by Italian academics out of various disciplines and universities for contributing to the progress of humanity, namely to build a better world, and enhance peace and well-being, interdependence between nations, emancipation from starvation and other humiliating deprivations.

The GGF is open to scientists, experts, politicians and anyone around the World who wants to contribute to overcome the above problems. Furthermore, it would contribute to initiate a people global network with the same world concept and intentions and therefore help to urge the international policies of their States in the same direction. Each edition focuses on different problems of territory development, from local to global scale, and debates policies, management models and action proposals.

The second edition, opened with the international conference of Brussels on “Sustainability and Energy Issues”, held in **September 7th, 2017**, intends to focus on energy security and sustainability needs facing the present market and resistances to change. In particular, it aims:

- to analyse current energy geography, which involves great differences in energy problems in different territories and requires different solutions and overall a new re-launch of co-operation among people for a sustainable development;
- to discuss the strategies of energy security for humanity in sustainability and put forward policies and regulations, nationally and internationally.

Its purpose is not only to give continuity to the debate concerning the global environment issues that should be constantly in the spotlight of the scholars and public decision makers; but also, to try to further involve the scientific community in the global problems. This community should contribute not only to find techniques, of production and organization, that are increasingly sustainable, but also to identify and remove resistances and obstacles toward the diffusion of such techniques and toward the satisfaction the energy needs of billion people.

This international conference was the first one important moment of the Forum that continued with the publication of the first contributions of the scientific community, experts and public decision-makers in the and developing the debate over the web. In 2018, the Forum will continue with other

initiatives - such as workshops and round tables on specific topics and issues organized with the collaboration of interested Institutions, University Departments, Associations, etc. - and with the publication in the GeoProgress Journal of new important contributions consistent with the following call for papers.

Some of these initiatives will focus on “SUSTAINABILITY AND TRANSPORT ISSUES”, as transport is one of the most important component of energy consumption and, for this reason and its infrastructures, cause of environmental degradation. Among the initiatives on transport, the GeoProgress Journal promotes this Conference on MULTIMODALITY in collaboration with TRANSPGOOD, Project of the EU Interreg Italy-Croatia. Theme of the Conference is both consistent with this European project and very important for the GGF.

Targets of the Conference

Economic operators, representatives of territorial institutions and other decision makers, professional associations, the academic world

Objectives of the conference

1) To stimulate the development and presentation of the results of analysis, either systematic or by case studies, concerning multimodality in transport:

- a) its diffusion and its characteristics in maritime and land transport,
- b) its socio-economic, cultural and spatial effects;
- c) its ecological advantages, evaluating them in terms of saving energy resources and reducing pollution.

2) To illustrate and discuss the best practices and technical innovations of transport, evaluating in particular the opportunities for multimodal development: for example, on specific supply chains and for territorial development, offering better accessibility, etc.

3) Explain reflections on methods of investigation and processing of information for the analysis of infrastructures and transport services, and their impacts (socio-economic, ecological and spatial)

4) Advance proposals for regional, national and European policies to improve infrastructure and the growth of sustainable transport services and therefore the competitiveness of the territories and their businesses.

5) Take stock of the implementation status of the TRANSPGOOD Project, evaluate the results and possible collaborations and synergies with other European projects for an increasingly sustainable development of transport, a reduction of energy consumption and an improvement of the ecological conditions of the life.

Draft program

The meeting includes a plenary session with key notes and reports, parallel sessions of papers presentation, and workshops for discussing experiences, political proposals and strategies.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The promoters of the Conference encourage the submission of original manuscripts, commentary and essays devoted to the examination of theoretical or empirical issues related to multimodality of transport, its importance for the organization of the transport systems and for the objective of reducing negative externalities both ecologically and socially

Key issues to be discuss and analysed through case studies are around:

- how to organize multimode transport systems in such way to maximize the economic efficiency and minimize negative ecological impacts.

- how to reduce the ecological impact of transports
- multimodal transport and territorial accessibility;
- multimodal transport and urban logistics: the last-mile challenge;
- how to organize informatic platforms for multimode transport systems,
- which services should be provided by these platforms to maximize the economic and ecological efficiency
- how to organize the governance of efficient multimode transport system
- how should be carry out a planning process for the progressive development of a multimode transport system with a participatory and systemic approach
- which are the best spatial dimensions of multimode transport systems, in term of efficiency and competitiveness
- how to finance the economic and ecological progress of multimode transport systems
- which are the policies of the Eu and of European States for the development of efficient and sounder multimode transport systems.
- how to help poor countries to develop more sustainable transport systems.
- how are changing regional and global markets and which are the need and perspectives of regional and global transports.
- which are the impacts of new (ICT) technologies in the business of medium and long distance transports
- which are the strategies of medium-long distance transport companies facing the geo-economics and geopolitics of China Contributions aimed at collecting *best practices*, case studies and practical experience are particularly to be welcomed.

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The several topics related to the above issues include:

Transport geography

Geopolitics

Transport economics and operations

Planning methods

Management methods

IT and Telecommunications

Geomatics

HOW TO SUBMIT A PAPER

Every paper will be proposed for publication to the *GeoProgress Journal*. So every paper, as well as intervention and report, has to be edited according the norms and format ("Style Guidelines...") you find in <http://www.geoprogress.eu/geoprogress-journal-pubblicazioni/> and will be submitted to peer review.

DEADLINE AND ONLINE APPLICATION

Proposals can be submitted both by December, 1st, 2018, and by June 1st, 2019.

The papers proposed by the first deadline will be presented and discussed during the workshop of Pula 2018. The papers proposed later, by the June 2019; will be probably discussed in a second meeting and any way submitted for publication the Journal referees.

Authors will be notified of the decision that the paper should be presented at the workshop in a few days; and of the publication decision in 45 days.

Proposals must be sent in English in the form of full length contributions (maximum 7200 words or 20 pages), according the Manuscript Submission Guidelines and the **Format** you find in www.geoprogress.eu/publication/

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