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Second WMO/MEDARE International Workshop

Addressing climate data sources and key records
for the Mediterranean Basin
in support of an enhanced detection, prediction and
adaptation to climate change and its impacts

10 – 12 May 2010
Nicosia, Cyprus

Information Note for participants

Conference Venue

The conference will take place at the Hilton Cyprus hotel in Nicosia.

[Hilton Cyprus Hotel](#)

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Workshop language

The workshop language is English

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Accommodation & meals

The organisers have secured competitive rates at the venue of the conference, the 5 star Hilton Cyprus hotel: single room at €115.00 and double room at €155.00, including breakfast, lunch (during the workshop) and taxes.

A complimentary workshop dinner will take place on Tuesday, May 11th at a local Cypriot taverna.

Room reservations, payment

The room reservations will be made directly at the Hilton Cyprus hotel at:
<http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/NICHITW-GEWMO-20100508/index.jhtml>

Airport transfers

The international airport of Larnaca is the closest arrival gate to Nicosia with daily direct connections to all main European and Middle Eastern cities. More detailed information can be found at the website of [Larnaca airport](http://www.larnaca-airport.info/) (<http://www.larnaca-airport.info/>). Distance to the conference venue is approximately 45 km.

Upon your arrival at Larnaca Airport, you have 2 options of transportation to your hotel.

- Taxi - there are many taxis to be found at the exit to the airport. Nicosia is a 40 minute drive from Larnaca and the cost from the airport to your hotel will be approx €50.00.
- Airport bus shuttle - there is a bus shuttle (called Kapnos airport Shuttle) from the airport to the centre of Nicosia which costs €7.00. Once at the bus terminal, you can take a taxi to the hotel (5-10 minute drive) which will cost approx. €7.00. Please visit the following link for the bus schedule
http://www.kapnosairportshuttle.com/index_files/Page352.htm
For taxis when in Nicosia you could contact the Photis taxi on +357 99 419378

Information on entry visa to Cyprus

Cyprus is a member of the European Union. Participants for whom a Visa is required for entry should contact their local Cyprus consulate for the application. More information can be found on the website of the [Ministry of Foreign Affairs](http://www.mfa.gov.cy/mfa/mfa2006.nsf/All/BCD9E71A8FBBA8DCC225720B001D9AFE?OpenDocument) (<http://www.mfa.gov.cy/mfa/mfa2006.nsf/All/BCD9E71A8FBBA8DCC225720B001D9AFE?OpenDocument>).

For any assistance please contact the local organizer Mr Stelios Pashiardis
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Currency

Euro, €

Electricity

The electricity supply in Cyprus is 230 volts, a.c. 50 Hz. Sockets are usually 13 amp, square pin (UK type).

Weather and climate

May is one of the most beautiful months of the year in Cyprus. In Nicosia, mean temperatures range between 16° and 30°C. Rainfall in May, (~ 3 rainy days, ≥ 1 mm), does not exceed 24 mm. On average, May enjoys sunshine 10 hours per day.

For more information about the island of Cyprus visit the [Cyprus Tourism Organization](http://www.visitcyprus.com/wps/portal) (<http://www.visitcyprus.com/wps/portal>) website.