

Dear colleagues,

The Department of Science for Nature and Environmental Resources (DIPNET) is organising a Summer School on "Fire Risk Prevention and Assessment in Mediterranean areas", that will be held in Alghero (Sardinia, Italy) from the 26 to the 28 of June 2012.

The Summer School is organised in the framework of the European Project "Proterina-C" (Un Sistema di Previsione e Prevenzione dell'Impatto della Variabilità delle Condizioni Climatiche sulla Variabilità del Rischio per l'Ambiente Vegetato e Urbano - EU Italia-Francia Marittimo 2007-2013 Programme).

The lectures will focus on the most important results obtained within the Project, and will be related to

- a) Evaluation of the impact of climatic variability on extreme weather events;
- b) Characterization of the combustion parameters of the Mediterranean vegetation;
- c) Fire danger modelling;
- d) Fire spread and behaviour modelling and analysis of case studies;
- e) Evaluation of practices of fire risk prevention and mitigation;
- f) Communication and information strategies on the relationship between climate change and fire risk

Simultaneous interpretation into Italian, French and English will be provided for all the lectures.

The lectures will be concentrated in the first two days of the Summer School, with morning and afternoon sessions, from 9.30 to 13.00 and from 14.30 to 18.00. In the last day, a field trip will be organised in order to visit case studies and areas of interest.

The lectures will be given by researchers and experts selected among the Partners of the Proterina-C Project (DIPNET, CNR-IBIMET, Regione Liguria, ARPAS, Université de Corse, Protezione Civile-Regione Sardegna).



The Summer School is designed for 40 professionals with University degree, people graduated in disciplines linked with the topics of the School, and researchers in forest fires or related issues. In particular, we consider as strategic the participation of people working in Institutions responsible for fire management, prevention and fight (such as Corpo Forestale dello Stato, Protezione Civile, Corpo Forestale e di Vigilanza Ambientale, Office National de Foret, etc), and others.

At least 50% of the participants should be resident in of Sardinia, Corsica and Liguria. Furthermore, at least 20% of participants should be represented by professionals and officers working in fire management and fight Institutions. Finally, 15% of participants will be selected among candidatures from non-EU Countries.

In order to select the participants, the candidates should send by e-mail to miksalis@uniss.it and vbacciu@uniss.it the Application Form (attached to this e-mail) and a short CV (max 3 pages) stating degree, diplomas, experience, professional activities, and reasons for applying to the course. The deadline for the submission of both Application Forms and CVs is **27 May 2012**.

The Summer School will be free for all the candidates selected.

The organization will cover the expenses related to coffee breaks and lunches (26-27 June), interpretation service (26-27 June), field trip with lunch (28 June), for the participants.

We would appreciate very much if you could forward this e-mail and attachment to any person interested to the Summer School.

Best regards.

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