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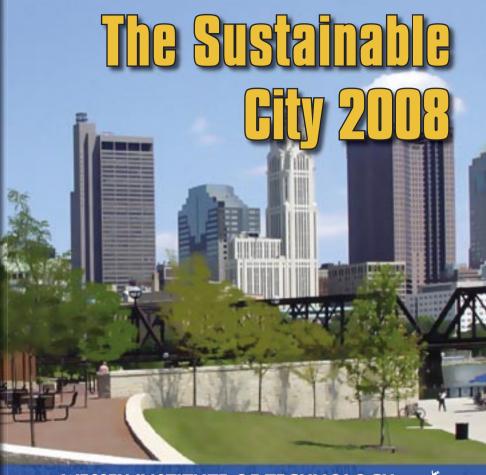
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## INTRODUCTION

The Conference aims to address the many inter-related aspects of the urban environment from transport and mobility to social exclusion and crime prevention. It is hoped that the meeting will build on the contributions made in previous conferences, which successfully managed to provide an international view of the problems facing modern cities and their solutions.

Urban areas produce a series of environmental problems arising from the consumption of natural resources and the consequent generation of waste and pollution. These problems contribute to the development of social and economic imbalances. All these problems, that continue to grow in our society, require the development of new solutions.

The Sustainable City 2008 follows four very successful meetings held in Rio (2000); Spain (2002), Siena (2004) and Tallinn (2006). The Conferences attracted a large number of contributions from participants from different backgrounds and countries. The variety of backgrounds and experiences is one of the main reasons behind the success of the series.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

City Planners, architects, environmental engineers and all academics, professionals and practitioners involved in the wide range of disciplines associated with creating a sustainable urban environment.

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Association - Choice. Papers continue to be added to new databases regularly.

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#### JOURNAL TOPICS

- Sustainable development
- Environmental legislation and policy
- Ecosystems analysis and protection
- Natural resource management
- Coastal planning and policy
- Waste management
- Environmental infrastructure
- Air, water and soil pollution
- Remediation and recovery
- Geo-informatics and the environment
- Environmental impact assessment
- Environmental economics
- Tourism and environment
- Social issues
- Rural planning
- Urban planning
- Urban and regional design
- Planning in less favoured areas
- Regional economics
- Utilities and networks
- Energy resources
- Education and health
- Cultural heritage and architectural issues
- Public safety and security
- Visual impact and noise pollution

The International Journal of Sustainable Development and Planning is an international, interdisciplinary journal covering the subjects of environmental design and planning, environmental management, spatial planning, environmental planning, environmental management and sustainable development in an integrated way as well as in accordance with the principles of sustainability.

It is the aim of the editors of the Journal to create an interdisciplinary forum where all the issues related with the concept of sustainability (environmental, spatial, economical and social), are open for scientific discussion The International Journal of Ecodynamics is based on the need to relate ecosystems to evolutionary thermodynamics in order to arrive at satisfactory solutions for sustainable development. This is the most important challenge facing modern society and the Journal aims to act as a forum for the publication of papers that can contribute to understanding the ecosystems and their reactions by the use of evolutionary approaches. The editors believe that the time is right for making Ecology, like Physics, a theoretical discipline.

The objective of the Journal is to encourage and facilitate the interdisciplinary communication between scientists, engineers, economists, and other professionals working on ecological systems.

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- Evolutionary thermodynamics
- Eco-informatics
- Dynamic modelling of ecosystems
- Thermodynamics and ecology
- Indicators and methods for dynamic system investigations
- Sustainability indicators and development
- Environmental risk
- Natural resources management
- Environmental assessment: soil, air, water, energy, waste
- Conservation and management of biodiversity
- Epistemology and aesthetics in science
- Landscape dynamics
- Diversity and redundancy in living systems
- Recovery of damaged areas
- Energy conservation and generation
- Environmental ecological strategies



## **ENQUIRY FORM**





### **CALL FOR PAPERS**

Papers are invited on the topics outlined and others falling within the scope of the meeting. Abstracts of no more than 300 words should be submitted **as soon as possible**. We strongly encourage the submission of abstracts electronically.

Abstracts should clearly state the purpose, results and conclusions of the work to be described in the final paper. Final acceptance will be based on the full-length paper, which if accepted for publication, must be presented at the conference. To be fair to all participants, each registered delegate will only be able to submit one paper. The language of the conference will be English.

## **CONFERENCE TOPICS**

	Strategy and development
	Planning, development and management
	Environmental management
	Planning issues
	Socio-economic issues
	The community and the city
	Cultural heritage
	Architectural issues
	Traffic and transportation
	Land use and management
	Public safety
	Sustainable transportation and transport
_	integration
	Energy resources systems
	Healthy cities
	Urban-rural relationships
	Spatial modelling
	Mega cities
	Indicators: Ecological, economic, social

Revitalisation strategies

## **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION**

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Please submit your abstract with The Sustainable City 2008 in the subject line. Include your name, full address and conference topics.

#### Web Submission

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## **PRIGOGINE AWARDS 2008**



Above: Professor Prof Ilya Prigogine

The Prigogine Award was instituted in 2004 by the University of Siena and the Wessex Institute of Technology to honour the memory of Prof Ilya Prigogine, Nobel Prize Winner for Chemistry and, in the words of Enzo Tiezzi, "the greatest scientist of the 20th Century".

Prigogine was awarded the Nobel Prize for his contribution to non-equilibrium thermodynamics, particularly the theory of dissipative structures. The main theme of his scientific work was the rule of time in the physical sciences and biology. The results of his work have had profound consequences for understanding biological and ecological systems.

Prigogine's ideas established the basis for ecological systems' research. The Award and Medal are given annually to a leading scientist in the field of ecological systems of Ecodynamics for the best paper presented at a relevant WIT Conference or submitted to the Ecodynamics Journal.

The recipients of the Senior Researcher Awards in 2004, 2005 and 2006 were Professor Sven Jorgensen of the Pharmaceutical University of Denmark, Professor Enzo Tiezzi of the University of Siena and Prof Bernard Patten of the University of Georgia respectively.

See the following web page for details of the 2004 Awards Ceremony:

www.wessex.ac.uk/conferences/2004/ sustainablecity04

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Details about The Sustainable City 2006, including the Awards Ceremony are available at:

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The 2007 prize is being presented at the 2007 ECOSUD conference. Details are available at:

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**Above:** Professor Sven Jorgensen, Professor Enzo Tiezzi, Professor Bernard Patten and Professor Carlos Brebbia

Nominations for the Prigogine Award 2008 are encouraged from those intending to participate in The Sustainable City 2008.

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## THE ISLAND OF SKIATHOS, GREECE

Skiathos is a popular tourist destination located in the northwestern part of the Aegean Sea off the east coast of Thessaly's Pelion Peninsula. The Island has over 60 sandy beaches thanks to its indented coastline. The capital, Skiathos Town, was built in 1830 on two low hills on the southeastern tip of the Island. Bombers destroyed Skiathos during World War II, however after it was rebuilt the town began to prosper and today almost the entire population of Skiathos is concentrated there. The seafront is lined with cafes and restaurants due to the marina, making it a popular place to spend the evening on the Island.



## **CONFERENCE VENUE**

The Skiathos Palace Hotel is located on a small hill overlooking the famous Koukounaries bay and Maratha beach, at the southwest corner of Skiathos Island, offering splendid views of the magnificent area. There is a large fresh water swimming pool with sun terrace and tennisi court on the hotel premises. Alternatively you can visit the nearby Diving centre, horseback riding centre or the water sports school. There is also an onsite restaurant, pool side snack bar and indoor bar.

## **GETTING TO SKIATHOS**

#### By plane:

Frequent Charter flights connect Skiathos with many European cities (70 weekly) from May till the end of October.

There are daily flights with O.A (Olympic Airways) from Athens in summer and 2-3 times a week in winter. The flight lasts 35 minutes. Once landed in Skiathos the distance between the international airport and Skiathos town is 3kms.

#### By Sea:

Hydrofoil Another way to travel from Athens to Skiathos is by catching a bus from Syntagma Square, which connects with the hydrofoil to Skiathos at Aghios Konstantinos. The hydrofoil service "Flying Dolphins" takes approximately 1.20 hours and is very reliable with regards to being on time. The hydrofoil also offers a service to Volos, which takes approximately 1.15 hours.

**Ferry-boat:** From St. Konstantinos you can catch a bus from Kannigos Square, which will transport you to Skiathos by Ferry. The duration of the trip is approximately 3 hours.

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#### **Camera Ready Final Paper:**

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