



SIRWEC 2006

13th International Road Weather Conference
25th - 27th March 2006
Torino, Italy

Preliminary Announcement

Call for Papers





The 13th SIRWEC Conference

25-27 March (Sat.)-(Mon.), 2006, Torino, Italy

Objectives

The “Standing International Road Weather Commission“ (SIRWEC) is a forum for the exchange of information on the state-of-the-art technology between road engineers, climatology researchers and meteorologists. The objective of the biennial meetings is to promote improvements in snow and ice control operations with focus on specialised road weather forecasting and climatological measuring techniques as well as improvements in the organization of winter maintenance.

Language

The official conference language is English.

Topics

- Climatology, Weather Conditions
 - Applications of Data-Driven Methods to Climate Modeling
 - Forecast Methods and Accuracy
 - Sensors and Equipment (RWIS and ITS Technology)
 - Presentation and Interpretation of Road Weather Information Data
 - Winter Maintenance Management Systems, Methods and Policy
 - Weather and Road Maintenance Policy Cost-Benefit
 - Road Weather Information for Customers
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Schedule (to be confirmed)

25 March (Sat.)	10.00	Registration
	14.00	Opening of the conference
	14.30	Sessions
	19.00	Apero, welcome buffet
26 March (Sun)	9.00	Sessions
	12.30	Lunch
	14.00	Parallel Workshops

19.30 Social Event and conference dinner

27 March (Mon.) 9.00 Sessions
 10.30 Reports from the workshops
 12.30 Closing of the conference

On Sunday several parallel workshops on different themes will be offered. You may choose which theme you are interested in.

Venue

The 13th International Road Weather Conference will take place at the Polytechnic of Turin in Turin where excellent facilities for the conference are provided.

Polytechnic is a prestigious and high qualified university situated in the city center.

The hotel reservation form will be sent to you with the second announcement and the final program

Exhibition

Exhibition space will be available at the conference for suppliers of weather and snow/ice control and forecasting systems, and for suppliers of winter maintenance management systems or winter maintenance equipment.

Exhibitors who are interested, please contact us for further details on available space and equipment and about the charge.

Sponsorship

The Provincia of Torino, Politecnico of Torino and the IEEE Computational Intelligence Society (CIS) - Italian Chapter are sponsors of the conference.

International Scientific Committee

It will be announced in next days.

Call for Papers

Papers describing the results of recent research, practical improvements or technological innovations related to the foregoing topics are solicited for presentation at the conference. The list of topics is, however, not intended to be all-inclusive. If you have any other subject that might be of interest for the road weather conference, please feel free to submit it. Please send your complete manuscript in paper form as well as in data-format until October 31th, 2005 to Prof. Eros Pasero (address below, mail sirwec2006@n-lab.it), accompanied by a 100-word biographical note. In November 2005, a selection will be made about papers accepted for oral presentation at the conference and papers selected for poster session. The authors of oral papers will be invited to make a presentation of 15 minutes. All manuscripts slected will be published in the conference proceedings. Please follow the manuscript guidelines: in English only, papersize A4; lettersize 12pt Times New Roman; manuscripts must not exceed 8 pages (graphs included). Data format MS WORD or PDF

Registration Fee

The conference fee will be 370,00 - Euro prior February 1st, 2006; 400,- Euro after this date. It will include all sessions, the workshops, the proceedings, welcome buffet, conference dinner and lunch on Sunday

Accompanying Persons

A programme will be organized for accompanying persons if there is any interest. It will include a visit to Sestriere (a beautiful mountain place selected for the 2006 Olympic Games) on Monday afternoon.

Pre-Registration

Please use the pre-registration form for the conference to ensure that your name will be added to the SIRWEC mailing list.

The final conference programme will be sent to you after December 15th 2005. At that time you will also receive the hotel reservation form.

Contact Address / Secretary of the conference

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