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TRANSPHORM NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the final newsletter from TRANSPHORM.

We are well into the final phase of the project, which has been marked with some intense work to complete the project. As we move into the last three months, the focus will now be on highlighting the achievements and conclusions of the project, both within the scientific community, and to the wider public domain. Of particular importance will be the analyses conducted to quantify the impact of measures to reduce particulate matter levels in cities and across Europe. These outcomes will be broadcast at a special session of the ‘9th International Conference on Air Quality – Science and Application’, held in Garmisch-Partenkirchen 24 – 28th March, and the coming TRANSPHORM Stakeholders Meeting, ‘Quantifying Health Impacts of Particulate Matter over Europe – New Approaches, Implications, and Recommendation for Policy, to be held in Brussels 6th May 2014. At the Air Quality Conference, a highly successful TRANSPHORM special session was run over 2 day, at which over 20 members presented their work and findings to the scientific community. The coming Stakeholders Meeting will now be a chance to present the major finding of the project to a wider audience, and influence EU wide air pollution policy based on our scientific findings.

Prof Ranjeet S Sokhi (project coordinator)

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Final Meeting

The final TRANSPHORM project meeting will be held on Thursday 19th June 2014, in London.

Further details will be announce shortly.

TRANSPHORM at the Air Quality conference 2014.

The 9th international Air Quality conference was held in the picturesque market town of Garmisch-Partenkirchen, German, jointly hosted by the University of Hertfordshire, and the Institute of Metrology and Climate Research of the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany. As in previous years, the conference has continued to build upon the series which began at the University of Hertfordshire in July 1996, with this year being the biggest conference yet.

The conference dealt with a number of themes, and included several special sessions designed to bring together key researchers and stakeholders in areas of :

- Air pollution in cities
- Air Quality and Climate/Meteorology Interactions and Feedbacks
- Air quality forecasting and early warning systems

- Local and regional air quality services (PASODOBLE)
- Transport related emissions and air quality – Science, Impacts and Response (TRANSPHORM)

All of these special sessions were well attended, with good interaction and fruitful discussions between the panels, presenters, and audience. With an important focus of the conference on bridging the gap between ‘science’ and ‘application’, interaction between researchers and stakeholders at the conference was a particular success.

The TRANSPHORM special session attracted a lot of interest, and featured presentation by 21 TRANSPHORM scientists over 2 days.

For more information about the conference, see <http://www.airqualityconference.org/>

TRANSPHORM Stakeholders Workshop

On Tuesday 6th May 2014, a workshop for stakeholders is to be held at the European Commission, entitled 'Quantifying Health Impacts of Particulate Matter Over Europe – New Approaches, Implications, and Recommendations for Policy'. With several organizations and interested parties already registered to attend, including representatives from governmental bodies, universities, environmental organizations, and industry, this is the perfect opportunity to present the major findings of the project to a wide audience, and affect EU wide policy on air pollution.

The focus of the meeting will be on the results from recent city and European scale case studies quantifying the health impacts for current and future years, and proposing recommendations for policy decision making.

This stakeholders meeting is aimed at:

- European policy decision makers.
- City representatives working on air quality, transport, planning, and urban planning.
- Representative from industry and environmental sectors.

If you would like to attend and/or contribute to the workshop, please contact Ranjeet (r.s.sokhi@herts.ac.uk).

An announcement letter for the workshop will be sent round soon to publicise the event, which can be forwarded to any interested parties. Any interested parties wishing to attend should confirm their participation before 30th April 2014 by providing their full details to Prof. Sokhi.

Workshop for Stakeholders

Date and Time:

Tuesday 6th May, 10:00 am – 15:30 pm

Location:

Rue de Champ de Mars 21
B-1049 Brussels
Belgium Meeting Room
Floor -1, Room SDR2

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