

1st Annual Symposium
**Center of Excellence in Risk
& Decision Sciences (CERIDES)**



**Nicosia
Risk Forum
2018**

- Wednesday, 14 November 2018
- Cultural Center, European University Cyprus



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SYMPOSIUM AIM

The Center of Excellence in Risk & Decision Sciences (CERIDES) is focal point for Security and Safety related issues in South Eastern Europe. CERIDES has already attracted more than 1.4 million Euro in EU competitive funding, it employs a number of young researchers and it has taken part (currently takes part in 4) in 13 EU projects (Horizon 2020, Cyprus Research Promotion Foundation, DG ECHO, DG HOME, DG JUSTICE, ERASMUS +). As a form of dissemination of its accumulated expertise, CERIDES plans for mid-November 2018 a number of activities, including an International Symposium.

CERIDES' aim is to organize a Symposium that

- will give the floor to local, state and industrial, partners in the areas of security and safety to communicate their research needs,
- to provide a forum for high level international academic communication and dissemination and (c) a networking opportunity for the participants. The Symposium language is English.

Dr Nikos Christodoulides, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus will deliver the Keynote Speech of the Conference on the "Current Developments of the National Security Policy".

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

- **Dr Christos Dimopoulos**, Co-Director, Centre for Risk and Decision Science (CERIDES), European University, Cyprus
- **Dr Alex Altshuler**, Founding Head of the Research and Development Department, National Emergency Management Authority (NEMA), Chair, National Inter-Ministerial Steering Committee of the National Knowledge and Research Center in Emergency Readiness, Israel
- **Professor Deborah F. Shmueli**, Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, University of Haifa, PI, Minerva Center for the Rule of Law under Extreme Conditions, Head, National Knowledge and Research Center for Emergency Readiness, Israel
- **Professor Jean Sciare**, Director of the Energy Environment and Water Research Center (EEWRC), Cyprus Institute
- **Mr Yiannis Tafyllis**, Director, Center for Security Studies, KEMEA, Greece
- **Professor Diofantos G. Hadjimitsis**, Vice Rector, Cyprus Technological University
- **Professor Georgios Ellinas**, KIOS Research and Innovation Center, University of Cyprus
- **Professor George Boustras**, Director, Center of Excellence in Risk & Decision Sciences (CERIDES), European University Cyprus

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

- **Dr Konstantinos Katzis**, Associate Professor, Center of Excellence in Risk & Decision Sciences (CERIDES), European University Cyprus
- **Dr Yianna Danidou**, Research Fellow, Centre for Risk and Decision Science (CERIDES), European University, Cyprus
- **Louisa Marie Shakou**, Research Associate, Center of Excellence in Risk & Decision Sciences (CERIDES), European University, Cyprus
- **Dr Apostolos Zaravinos**, Assistant Professor, Department of Life Sciences and Center of Excellence in Risk & Decision Sciences (CERIDES), European University Cyprus
- **Cleo Varianou Mikellidou**, Research Associate, Center of Excellence in Risk & Decision Sciences (CERIDES), European University Cyprus
- **Dr Yiannis Anyfantis**, Research Fellow, Center of Excellence in Risk & Decision Sciences (CERIDES), European University Cyprus

CALL FOR PAPERS

Practitioners, Researchers and Policy Makers are invited to submit papers related to one of the following themes:

- ▶ **Risk Assessment**
- ▶ **Critical Infrastructure Protection and Security**
- ▶ **Safety Management**
- ▶ **Emergency and Disaster Management**
 - Urban Resilience to Extreme Weather Events and Climate Change
 - Decision Science in the context of Global Environmental Change
 - Data Science Technology
 - Genomic Data Science

Authors are invited to submit a 1-page abstract and, upon acceptance, a 20 minute presentation will be required.

Important note: the themes will be interpreted in a broad manner for the poster sessions, so authors are encouraged to submit their work, even if it does not fit perfectly into one of the 5 themes. 'Work in progress' submissions are particularly encouraged.

A special session on the dissemination of EU Funded projects will be organized.

IMPORTANT DATES

Abstracts due:	October 1st 2018
Notification of acceptance:	October 15th 2018
Presentation submission due:	October 30th 2018
1st NicRF Symposium:	November 14th 2018

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Please submit your abstract electronically in MS Word or PDF format at: <https://easychair.org/cfp/1stSafSec> no later than October 1st 2018.

Receipt of abstracts will be acknowledged and decisions on acceptance will be provided no later than October 15th 2018.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

For detailed information regarding traveling regulations to Cyprus from abroad please visit the relevant section of the Cyprus Ministry of Foreign Affairs at:

<http://www.mfa.gov.cy/mfa/mfa2006.nsf/All/BCD9E71A8FBBA8DC-C225720B001D9AFE?OpenDocument>

Visa applications can be downloaded from:

<http://www.mfa.gov.cy/mfa/mfa2006.nsf/All/0CE76BCD5CDCC48C225720C00225941?OpenDocument>

CYPRUS AIRPORTS

Cyprus has two International Airports. More information can be found at the official website of the Larnaca and Paphos airports:

<http://www.cyprusairports.com.cy/>

ACCOMMODATION

Delegates are responsible for booking and paying for their own accommodation.

1. Europa Hotel, Nicosia ***

For bookings please visit: <http://www.europahotel.com.cy/>
or contact: reception@europahotel.com.cy
Tel: +357 22692692, Fax: +357 22 664417

2. Hilton Park, Nicosia *****

For bookings please visit: <http://www1.hilton.com>
or contact: Tel: +357-22 695 210, Fax: +357-22 695 013