



NATURE WITHOUT BORDERS

First European Symposium:
**Research,
conservation
and management
of biodiversity
in the European
seashores
(RCMBES)**



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Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, we are pleased to invite you to **First European Symposium: Research, conservation and management of biodiversity in the European seashores (RCMBES)**, which will be held on 8 – 12 May, 2017, in Primorsko, Bulgaria. The Symposium is organised by OPIMOS and ECOPAN.

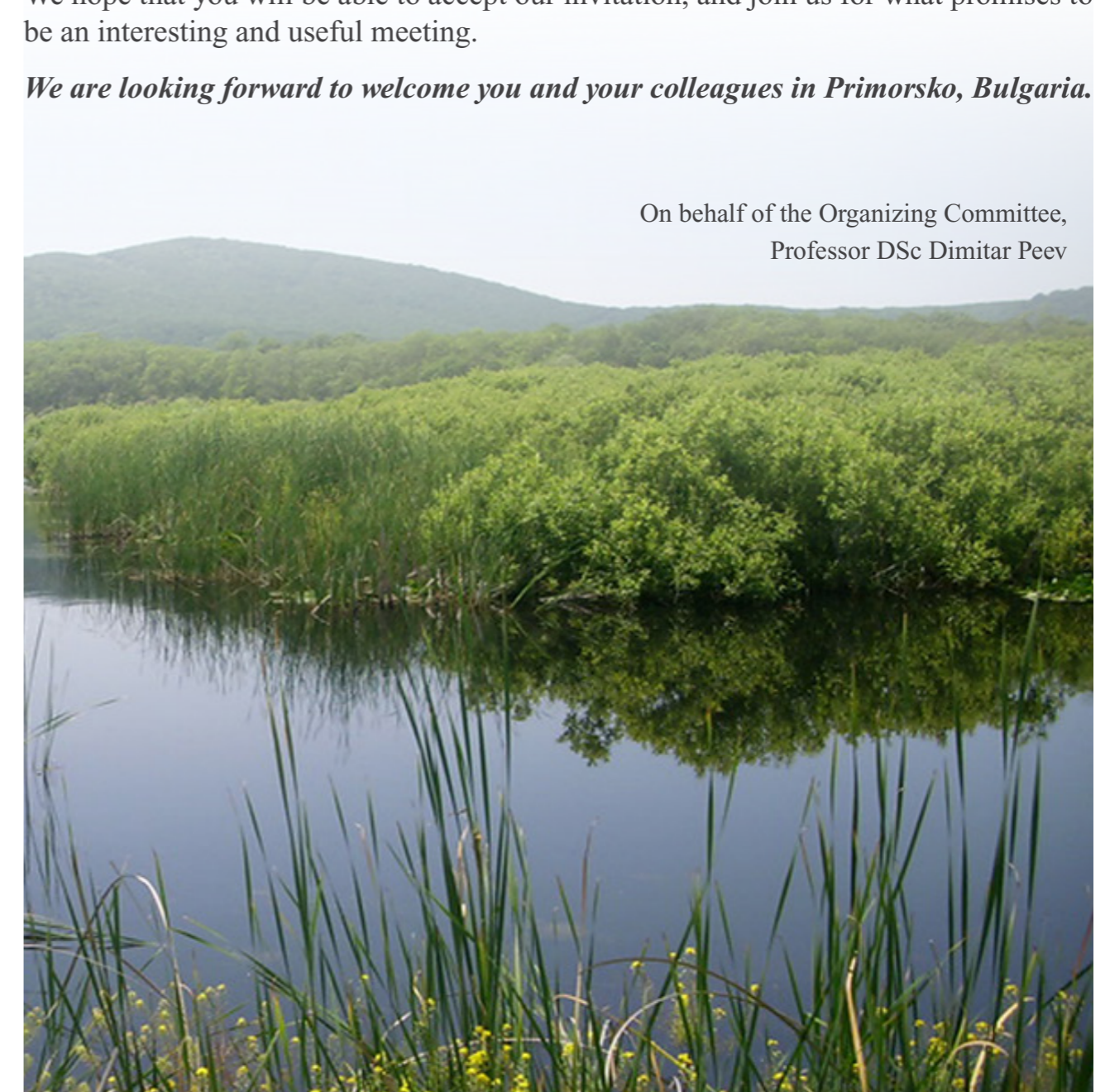
The main goals are to bring together people with the same ideas and interests for the conservation of coastal biodiversity.

During the Symposium will be discussed and evaluated conservation significance and status of various biotic groups. Measures for more effective work in this area will be outlined. There will be presented good practices for coastal biodiversity protection in collaboration within the scientists, municipalities and private sector.

We hope that you will be able to accept our invitation, and join us for what promises to be an interesting and useful meeting.

We are looking forward to welcome you and your colleagues in Primorsko, Bulgaria.

On behalf of the Organizing Committee,
Professor DSc Dimitar Peev



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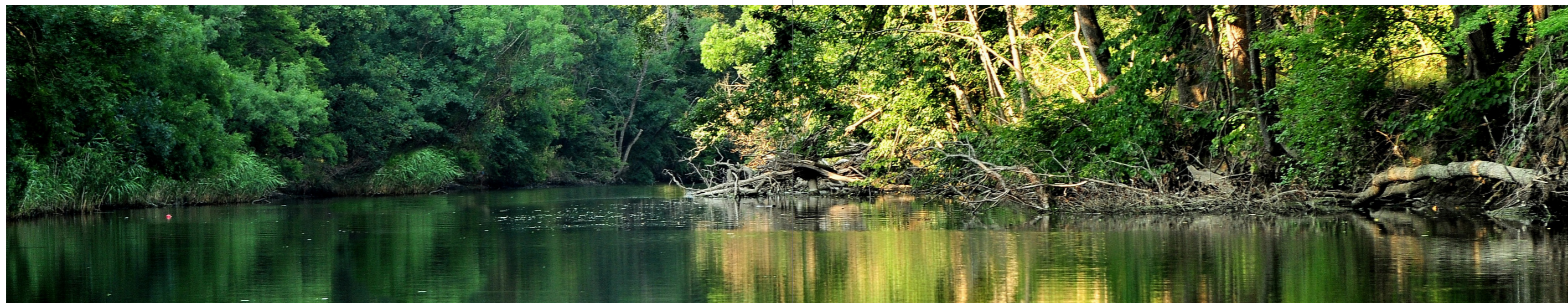
The Symposium will provide an opportunity to exchange important information in three main areas of nature conservation: flora and vegetation, fauna and zoocenoses and natural habitats.

The Symposium aims to:

- Present the status of scientific approaches within the European coastal areas;
- Discuss the role of biodiversity research in trans-border issues;
- Bring together scientists, academics, practitioners with a view to strengthening and promoting the trans-border cooperation and this that municipalities;
- Define the priorities concerning various aspects of conservation research and good practices.

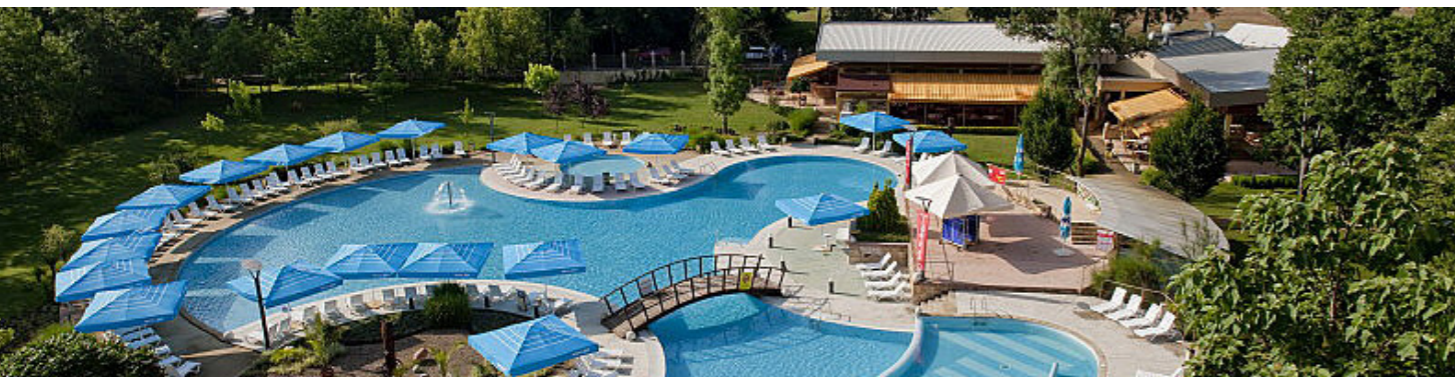
SYMPOSIUM TOPICS

1. Coastal area monitoring and assessment
2. Coastal biodiversity impact and risk assessment
3. GIS and remote sensing
4. Flora and vegetation diversity
5. Fauna and zoocenoses diversity
6. Natural habitats diversity
7. Coastal area management
8. Coastal natural resources
9. Coastal biodiversity conservation
10. Good practices (legislative, managerial, application, etc.).
11. Environmentally friendly municipalities practices



BENEFITS OF ATTENDING THE SYMPOSIUM

- The opportunity to present your research within a unique forum and collaborate with experts from wider regions and around the world;
- A chance to promote your research by presenting it to relevant people and organizations;
- Symposium abstracts/papers will be peer-reviewed by highly qualified international experts;
- Abstracts will be published in hard copy format and made available to the international scientific community;
- Abstracts will be public available on the website of the Symposium (www.opimos.com);
- Symposium participants will be invited to submit an extended version of their paper to the following scientific journals with impact factor:
 - Nature Conservation (<http://natureconservation.pensoft.net/>)
 - PhytoKeys (<http://phytokeys.pensoft.net/>)
 - ZooKeys (<http://zookeys.pensoft.net/>)
- The Symposium will be an opportunity for strengthening the cooperation between the institutions within the regions;
- Participants will have the chance to know more for relic coastal and adjacent vegetation and fauna;
- Participants will have the chance to meet with the unique cultural heritage of the town of Sozopol



PRELIMINARY AGENDA

The programme comprises plenary presentations, parallel sessions, poster sessions and roundtable panels.

Presentations: Each session contains 10 minutes presentation for specific topical perspective.

Monday, the 8th of May 2017:

- Participant`s arrival – Magnolias Hotel, Primorsko, Bulgaria
<http://www.hotel-lesmagnolias.com/>
- 19⁰⁰ – Welcome cocktail - Magnolias Hotel, Primorsko, Bulgaria

Tuesday, the 9th of May 2017:

- 08³⁰ – 09³⁰ Registration – Magnolias Hotel, Primorsko, Bulgaria
<http://www.hotel-lesmagnolias.com/>
- 09³⁰ – 10³⁰ – Official opening
- 10³⁰ – 19⁰⁰ - Reports, Poster sessions, Discussions
- 20⁰⁰ - Symposium feast

Wednesday, the 10th of May 2017:

- 09⁰⁰ – 19⁰⁰ - Reports, Poster sessions, Discussions, Conclusion
- 20⁰⁰ - Dinner

Thursday, the 11th of May 2017:

- Field trip: 09⁰⁰-17³⁰
- Inside Strandja – Relic basin.
- On the sands – Biodiversity of Arkutino area.
- Visit to Sozopol.

Friday, the 12th of May 2017: Participant`s departure



PARTICIPATION FEE

Registration type	Early Until 28.02.2017	Standart From 01.03.2017 until 01.04.2017
Regular	110 €	140 €
Reduced (Students)	50 €	70 €

Registration type	Early Until 28.02.2017	Standart From 01.03.2017 until 01.04.2017	On site
Field trip (one day)	10 €	15 €	20 €

Participation fee includes: participation at the Symposium, Symposium Certificate. Abstract book, Symposium and promo materials, Welcome cocktail, Coffee breaks.

Field trip fee includes: transport, guide and snack.

Fees, publication requirements and design of paper for publication in journals with impact factor will be published in the second circular.

All the fees mentioned to be transferred on the following bank account:

Bank: UniCredit

Bank address: 9, Frederic Joliot Curie Str., 1113 Sofia, Bulgaria

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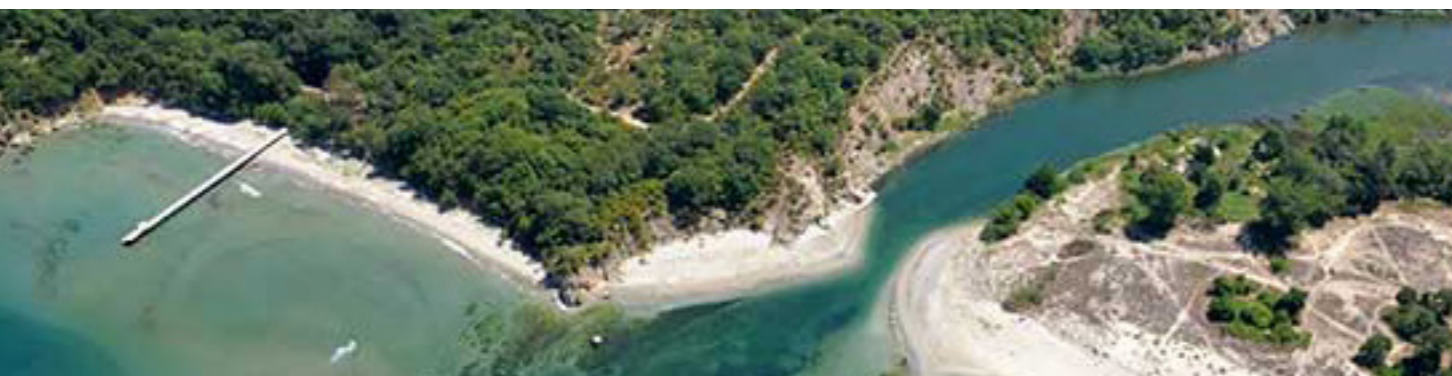
Beneficiary: OPIMOS

Please be aware that all bank transaction fees should be at the participant's expenses.

Please, indicate the Symposium participation and/or Field trip on the payment document.

After the payment, please send a copy of your bank transfer document to:

contacts@opimos.com



VENUE AND ACCOMMODATION

The Symposium will be held in Magnolias Hotel (<http://www.hotel-lesmagnolias.com/>), Primorsko Club holiday village (<http://www.primorskoclub.bg/>), Primorsko, Bulgaria.

Hotel Complex Les Magnolias is a club hotel of the French chain Lookéa, traditionally known for good service and excellent cuisine.

The hotel stands 200 meters of the beach amid the greenery of the park area full of exotic plants.

The complex has 186 modern rooms and 4 apartments.

The hotel has a children's playground and a large park area.

Wide sandy beach provides an excellent opportunity for peaceful sunbathing. During the summer, the sea water is clean, calm and warm. Sandy bottom is flat and gradually sloping. The picturesque dunes grow valuable wild plants, some of which are protected species.

The hotel has two outdoor swimming pools – a large one and a swimming pool for children, which has an attractive shape.

The library of the pool has a wide selection of books in 4 languages that is available to all guests.

The restaurant of the Complex Les Magnolias has 480 seats in the dining room and on the outdoor terrace with pool view. The restaurant works on All inclusive formula and offers a varied menu. The menu is diverse, combining culinary temptations of the modern world and the best of traditional Bulgarian cuisine. The restaurant offers a menu for children, show cooking, dietary dishes, Bulgarian and sea theme night, a variety of themed buffets, barbecue.

In the cozy atmosphere of the three bars in the complex you can enjoy a wide range of Bulgarian All inclusive and imported drinks and cocktails.

Lovers of spa services can enjoy a wide selection of treatments and programs for relaxation in the unique center in the complex Magnolias.

The complex offers excellent conditions for sport - 3 tennis courts, football pitch, pitches for basketball and volleyball, petanque terrain, garden chess, table tennis for adults and children, billiards, bike rental, possibility for beach and water sports.

Accommodation based on All Inclusive:

Price for 1 bed in a double room per day – 25,00 €

Price per single room per day – 34 €

The price includes: breakfast, lunch and dinner, intermediate meals between lunch and dinner. From 7.30 to 23.30 - tea, coffee, soft drinks, Bulgarian alcoholic and soft drinks. All prices include VAT 9%, tourist tax, hotel insurance.

Each guest is welcomed with a glass of sparkling wine on arrival. If the guest does not consume alcohol, a soft drink will be offered.

ABSTRACT AND PAPERS

Abstracts will be published in an Abstract book.

Abstracts should clearly state the purpose, results and main conclusions of the work to be described in the final paper.

Abstracts should be submitted to: contacts@opimos.com

Technical details for the abstracts:

TITLE (14pt, bold)

First name Family name¹, First name Family name² (12pt, bold)

¹institution, ²institution, e-mail of corresponding author (Times New Roman 12pt, Italic)

Text of the abstract – no longer than 250 words (Times New Roman 12pt, Single, Justify).

Key words: Maximum 5 words (Times New Roman 12pt, Italic).

Selected papers could be published in journal with impact factor after international peer-review. This requires an extra publication fee.

Specific guidance for papers and posters formatting and submission will be available in second circular.

IMPORTANT DATES

Early registration starts – 01.12.2016

Abstract submission deadline – 15.03.2017

Notification of Abstract Acceptance – within 10 days of their submission, but no later than 30.03.2017

Deadline for early registration fee payment – 28.02.2017

Deadline for regular registration fee payment – 01.04.2017

Full paper submission – 15.04.2017

