

BALKAN LIGHT 2015

The 6th Balkan Conference on Lighting

First announcement and call for papers



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Hellenic Lighting Association



The National Technical University of Athens, the Hellenic Ministry of Culture, Education and Religious Affairs and the Hellenic Lighting Association are going to organize in Athens, Greece, on the 16th-19th of September 2015, the international conference Balkan Light 2015.

The Balkan Light 2015 is the 6th Balkan Light Conference, a conference that takes place every 3 years and serves as the premier Balkan and international forum on the field of lighting engineering. Previous Balkan Light conferences have been held in the following years and locations:

- 1999 - Varna, Bulgaria
- 2002 - Istanbul, Turkey
- 2005 – Cluj-Napoca, Romania
- 2008 – Ljubljana, Slovenia
- 2012 – Belgrade, Serbia



2015 is the UNESCO International Year of Light and for that reason the conference will be part of the coordinated events under the auspices of UNESCO.

Scope of the conference

The objective of Balkan Light 2015 conference is to provide an opportunity to exchange views on key areas of light and lighting engineering, to present progress in technology and to discuss challenges for the future.

Areas of interest include, but are not limited to:

- **Lighting technology (lamps, luminaires, lighting controls)**
- **Lighting calculations and measurements**
- **Energy efficiency and economics of lighting**
- **Standards and legislation in lighting**
- **Daylight design and control**
- **Interior & exterior lighting**
- **Architecture lighting**
- **Lighting in antiquity**
- **Illumination of archaeological sites, monuments and museums**
- **Human aspects of lighting**

Participation in the conference is not limited to academics and scientists from the Balkan countries. Participations from all over the world are also warmly welcome.



The meeting place

Athens, the capital and largest city of Greece, is a vivid modern city and a rich historical landscape with a history of more than 3.000 years. It covers 412 square kilometres and has a population of 3.800.000. It has a subtropical Mediterranean climate, characterized by alternations between prolonged hot and dry summers (July average of 34 °C) and mild winters with moderate rainfall (January average of 9 °C).

Athens is recognized as a global city because of its geo-strategic location and its importance in finance, commerce, arts, international trade, culture, education and tourism. It also features the largest passenger port in Europe and the third largest in the world (port of Piraeus).

The heart of ancient Athens, nominated for the European Heritage Label award in 2015, comprises more than 100 monuments of European and Global Significance, such as the Acropolis hill (inscribed on UNESCO World Heritage List), the Ancient and Roman agorae, Hadrian's library, the Pnyx hill, the Keramikos cemetery etc. These ancient buildings and locations witnessed the birth of the common values that underpin the Western civilization and the upbringing of famous historic figures, whose achievements have established the basis of democracy, philosophy and art.

The conference will take place at the Auditorium of the Acropolis Museum.

Important dates

March 31, 2015 – Extended one page abstract, to be submitted through the web page

April 30, 2015 – Notification of acceptance and start of early bird registration period

June 30, 2015 – Full manuscript and end of early bird registration period

August 31, 2015 – PowerPoint presentation

By **March 31, 2015** details concerning submission of papers will be presented on the conference web site: <http://balkanlight2015.ntua.gr>

The registration form and instructions for the conference fee payment will be presented on the website by **April 30, 2015**.

Conference language

English

Conference fee

The conference fee (400 EUR) includes attendance at welcome reception on the evening of September 16th, all conference sessions, refreshment breaks, guided tour to Acropolis and to one archaeological site, gala dinner on September 18th, as well as a hard copy and a soft copy of the Conference Proceedings.

A reduced fee of 300 EUR is offered for early bird registration. Student registration fees amount to 280 EUR (after July 1st) and 210 EUR (early bird registration).



Schedule

September 16th, 2015 – Opening session, invited lectures, conference sessions
September 17th, 2015 – Conference sessions
September 18th, 2015 – Conference sessions
September 19th, 2015 – Post session tours

Further information

For further information and contacts use the conference web page

<http://balkanlight2015.ntua.gr/>

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