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13th EMS Annual Meeting and 11th European Conference on Application of Meteorology (ECAM)

The 13th EMS Annual Meeting and 11th European Conference on Application of Meteorology (ECAM) took place at University of Reading, United Kingdom during 09 – 13 Sep, 2013. I participated in the conference and presented my results on ‘Study of nocturnal surface ozone enhancement due to vertical mixing from residual layer’ for which I was awarded ‘Young Scientist Travel Award’. The award included certificate, registration fee and financial support of €300. The award was handed over by Dominique Marbouty, EMS President in the award ceremony on 11th Sep and it is always nice to see your work getting appreciated.

I attended the full conference from 9th to 13th Sep. The opening session and strategic lectures were very good and enlightening. There were many parallel sessions going on, on various topics, but I was more inclined on attending Atmospheric systems and interaction (ASI) and attended most of them. My own presentation was in ASI11 on 12th Sep., and it turned out to be very exciting and eventful session with presentation from Sylvia Bohnenstengel and Prof Janet Barlow summarizing the initial results from ‘Clearflo’ project, which also supported my results. We had a very healthy discussion on my presentation in session and after the session during the coffee break. I also participated in two panel discussions (a) CE5: Career development and (b) ECAM Plenary: Hazards and Risks – How far should we go. Both the panel discussions were very open, encouraging and helpful and multidimensional. During the coffee breaks and poster sessions I interact with many researchers, from very senior to fresh, and had good exchange of knowledge. The whole conference was very good and the outstanding part of the conference, for me, was EMS silver medal lecture by Prof. Hartmut Grassl.

Last but not the least, the hospitality and arrangements were very good. The ice breaker party, beer tasting and coffee breaks with cookies and cakes made the conference environment very friendly and cheerful.