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The 5th International Scientific Conference on Water, Climate and Environment (BALWOIS 2012) was held in Ohrid, Macedonia between 28 May and 02 June 2012. The conference gathered highly respected scientists in the world working in the field as well as young researchers and students. My attendance to the conference supported by European Meteorological Society (EMS) through EMS Young Scientist Travel Award. I would like to kindly thank to the EMS for giving me this opportunity.

During the conference I had the chance to meet several people interested in the same research field of mine, other PhD students as well as researchers and professors. More than 400 papers have been presented (oral and poster) by authors from 72 countries on following topics:

- Climate and Hydrology,
- Water, Environment and Human activities,
- Water related risks,
- Integrated Water Resources Management,
- Ecohydrology and Hydrobiology and
- Computing and Technologies
- Other Related Topics

I have attended several different sections which very interesting presentations were presented under this wide range of topics. In particular, the presentations about the implementation of Geographical Information System (GIS) techniques under the topic of “*Computing and Technologies*” attracted my attention. The discussions after the presentations were also very pragmatic and useful for my PhD and for my further studies.

I also presented our study titled “Water Resources Management Strategy Establishment for the Semi Arid Regions Affected by Climate Change” and had good feedbacks during the breaks.

I would like to thank again EMS for allowing me to attend the conference, which it was very beneficial for my career.