

**16<sup>th</sup> EMS Annual Meeting and 11<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Applied Climatology  
(ECAC)  
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Conference report**

The 16<sup>th</sup> EMS Annual Meeting and 11<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Applied Climatology took place in Trieste, Italy, from 11<sup>st</sup> until 16<sup>th</sup> September 2016. At first, I would like to express my gratitude to the European Meteorological Society (EMS) that supported me by the Young Scientist Travel Award. The award significantly helped me to cover the costs related to travelling and accommodation. Thanks to this support I got a chance to participate in this conference for the first time.

Honestly, this conference was one of the best organized meetings where I have ever been. The most interesting sessions were not overlapping and it was not a problem to visit the selected talks continuously every day. The given presentations were presented by real specialists and were of a very high standard. Especially the talks introduced during the Paleoclimatology and historical climatology session brought me some valuable knowledge and encouraged me to the next research. Besides hundreds of presentations there were also two poster sessions with more than 260 posters. During the time I spent at the conference I had enough time to look at all posters and discuss their results with the authors. On Thursday I presented a part of results of my nearly finished PhD thesis by means of poster (Hydrometeorological extremes and their impacts in the Jihlava region - Czech Republic, in the 1650–1880 period). Many scientists were interested in my research, we discussed some spatio-temporal uncertainties concerning the documentary records and they gave me some comments and advice how to improve my results.

I especially appreciated the attendance of some well-known scientists and a lot of opportunities to meet them in person (e.g. during the coffee breaks, Icebreaker Reception etc.). It was rewarding to share the new results from related disciplines reciprocally, discuss different views on recent climatology or find new inspiration and ideas how to improve my own research. Probably the most important benefit of this conference lay in making new contacts with other researchers and establishing future cooperation.

The friendly atmosphere of the conference and pleasant environment contributed to a beneficially spent week in the presence of excellent specialists who gave me many useful recommendations and motivated me to continue my work. I would like to thank again EMS for giving me the opportunity to attend this meeting and I am looking forward to next conference.

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