

Short Report for the EMS 2023

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Nicosia (Cyprus) – The Cyprus Institute

Dear Committee Organization of the EMS Annual Meeting 2023,

It would be a great honor for me to participate in the EMS Annual Meeting 2023: Europe and droughts: Hydrometeorological processes, forecasting and preparedness, and to receive the **“Young Scientist Conference Award”**.

It was the first time for me that I had the valuable opportunity to participate onsite in this conference which aims to promote the sharing of ideas and the mutual enrichment of knowledge within the fields of meteorology, climatology, and related disciplines. In today's climate, where the undeniable impact of climate change is increasingly apparent and challenges are mounting, it has become imperative for researchers worldwide to deliberate, and exchange ideas. This effort is crucial for shaping a more promising future and the EMS Annual Meeting offered the appropriate conditions for this to be done.

In my assessment, the conference was very well organized. The keynote lectures were engaging, holding the audience's interest throughout. The general program was well-structured, catering to participants with diverse areas of interest through focused parallel sessions covering various scientific topics. Furthermore, I commend the strict adherence to the programs deadlines, which helped people stay alert during sessions and not get tired. The strategic placement of coffee breaks in a communal area facilitated fruitful interactions among participants, with a special mention for the excellent coffee provided during these intervals.

Considering my field of study in data post-processing, I would suggest incorporating a dedicated session in future conferences, given the increasing interest in this area. Although some presentations related to bias correction and statistical downscaling were included in the session "OSA3.3 – Deriving actionable information from climate data," I believe this topic could be more focused in subsequent events. Additionally, I propose the inclusion of a final extra session or discussion between researchers and stakeholders, as it is essential to understand each other's needs and foster collaboration.

In conclusion, my participation in EMS 2023 has been immensely beneficial for my career. It has opened doors for future collaborations with the scientists I met at the conference and sparked new ideas. I eagerly anticipate the opportunity to participate in the next EMS conference in Barcelona.

I express my gratitude for this enriching experience.

Sincerely,

Georgia Lazoglou