



# SECOND CIRCULAR

## The 1<sup>st</sup> international colloquium REZAS'12

**Water resources in the arid and semi-arid regions:  
challenges and prospects. Case of the African continent**

***Beni Mellal, November 14, 15 & 16, 2012***

Dear colleagues,

We remind you that the deadline of the call for communications of the First International Symposium REZAS'12 which will take place in November 14th, 15th and 16th, 2012 at the University Sultan Moulay Slimane of Beni Mellal (Morocco), is on June 30th, 2012.

The notification of the acceptance or the rejection of the proposals will be communicated to each person concerned before July 20th, 2012. Starting from this date, we will post on the website information on the possibilities of accommodation near the sites of the conference.

We also request people who wish to take part in the conference without presentation to be registered before June 30th by sending a message to [rezasafrica@gmail.com](mailto:rezasafrica@gmail.com) specifying that it is about a registration without communication. That will better help us adjusting the organization according to the number of people present at the conference.

For any information concerning the registrations, as well as the grant applications to take part in the conference, please visit the steering committee at: <http://www.fstbm.ac.ma>

We hope to welcome you soon in Beni Mellal.

With best regards,

## IMPORTANT DATES

- 30 June 2012 : Deadline of Abstracts reception
- 30 July 2012 : Notification of acceptance
- 25 September 2012 : Final Programme of the meeting
- **14 & 15 November 2012** : Colloquium
- **16 November 2012** : Field trip

## COMMUNICATIONS

The presentations could be made in the form of oral communication (15 mn plus 5 mn of discussion) or of poster (A0 portrait format). In both cases, the abstracts will be published in the Acts of the conference.

Submission of abstract or full paper should be in Word format. The **template** used for the preparation of submissions can be downloaded at:

[http://jhmer.univ-rennes1.fr/Template\\_jhmer.doc](http://jhmer.univ-rennes1.fr/Template_jhmer.doc)

**There may be parallel sessions, if needed**

**There will be two more events during the Conference :**

- One Poster Session: Bring a single PowerPoint picture which you think is particularly interesting/important in terms of any aspect of Water-related topic and talk about it for no more than 5 minutes. Contact the convener if interested in participating.
- REZAS '12 best oral and poster presentation awards will be given to young researchers (age below 35 years).

### **SUBMISSION DEADLINE : June 30<sup>th</sup> 2012**

Submission process can be completed according to one of the two methods:

**METHOD 1:** This method is preferable because it allows effective handling of your submission using the platform **EasyChair**. You will be able at any time to view the status of your submission. To adopt this method, follow the steps below:

**Step 1:** visit <http://www.easychair.org/conferences/?conf=rezas12>

**Step 2:** If you do not have an **EasyChair** account, take a few minutes and create a free account

**Step 3:** Connect with your **EasyChair** account information, and follow the instructions on the screen by filling out the required fields, and downloading files when required.

**Step 4:** You will receive information on the status of your submission, **make sure** your email provider (yahoo, gmail, etc.) does not delete messages coming from the address: ...@**easychair.org**

**METHOD 2:** Send your submission to the following address:

[rezasafrica@gmail.com](mailto:rezasafrica@gmail.com)

Arrangements have been taken to allow authors presenting a good quality work at the conference to publish it in a peer-reviewed journal.

## PARTICIPATION FEES

The registration fees are fixed as follows:

- Student-researchers : 50 €
- Teacher-researchers : 100 €
- Industrialists : 250 €

The registration fees give the right to the following services:

- Acts and the various documents concerning the seminar
- Meals (lunch + diner)
- Coffee breaks

The expenses of participation to the field trip are fixed at: 150 €

Publication of the extended abstract is conditioned by the payment of the registration fees for the conference.

The text of the authors not having regularized their registration at the latest on May 31<sup>st</sup> will not be published.

No refunding will be possible once the accepted abstracts and the cashing carried out.

## GRANTS

The participating candidates for a grant (excluding transportation) will have to forward their request (+CV) before April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012 to the secretariat at the following address: [rezasafrica@gmail.com](mailto:rezasafrica@gmail.com)

The grants are intended to the participants coming from developing countries and who have submitted an abstract (4 to 6 pages) accepted in due time by the scientific committee.

A special issue will be devoted to REZAS'12 conference, the selected articles will be published in *J. Hydrocarb. Mines Environ. Res.* The interested authors can submit their article referring strictly to the "instructions for authors" (<http://jhmer.univ-rennes1.fr/>) and noting "REZAS'12" in their cover letter.

## EXCURSION

Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup> will be devoted to a field trip in the High Atlas of Azilal which constitutes a true water tower of the neighbouring arid plains. It will comprise a visit of the Ain Asserdoune source, Bine El Ouidane lake and of the Ouzoud cascade. A participation of 150 € will be required to cover the bus and lunch expenses. Because of limited number of places (100), the confirmation must be mentioned on the registration form.

## EXHIBITION BOOTHS

During the conference, exhibit space will be available for exhibitors to present their material of hydrogeology, hydrogeochemistry, hydrogeophysics, booklets, etc. The exhibitors are requested to book before the end of July 2012. For any information concerning the exhibit fees, please contact the secretariat of the conference.

## COMMITTEES

A steering and organization committee and a scientific committee were set up (see 1<sup>st</sup> circular). They will ensure the preparation and the realization of the conference, the organization of the sessions and the publication of the acts. They will be guaranteeing scientific quality of work of international level.

## SECRETARIAT OF THE COLLOQUIUM

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