

## Exhibitors and Sponsors

TIEMS annual event is the place for bridging the gap between theory and practise in emergency management, and exhibitors and sponsors are welcome to expose their ideas, models, products, etc in the exhibition area, and thus meet the delegates to a fruitful dialogue.

A special Exhibitor / Sponsors Area will also give the exhibitors and sponsors an opportunity for an exposure for all delegates in a plenary session.

TIEMS annual event invites all key actors in the global emergency management community to take part in a fruitful dialogue on **Global Cooperation in Emergency Management**.

- Academics
- Researchs
- Practitioners
- Industry
- Authorities
- Consultants
- NGO's
- Others

The program also includes social events, which gives the participants and accompanying partners and family an opportunity to relax in a good atmosphere and enjoy Istanbul as well.

Conference and exhibition fees and a travelling package for flights and hotels will be sent out with the second call for papers and be published on the TIEMS website [www.tiems.org](http://www.tiems.org) and syposium website [www.tiems2009.org](http://www.tiems2009.org)

## TIEMS Student Support

**TIEMS - Rohrmann Student Foundation** is established to help research students who wish to come to the annual TIEMS conference and present their research. Students are a future asset, and should therefore be encouraged to join the TIEMS' framework as early as viable.

The TIEMS – Rohrmann Student Foundation Committee will select two students every year for support, based on applications received.

## LET'S MEET WHERE THE CONTINENTS MEET

Istanbul is the only city in the world that is built on two continents: Asia and Europe. The city has suffered from many wars in its 3000 years of history. It has been the capital of tree empires: Roman, Byzantine and Ottoman. The city with a population of 10 million encompasses a range of people who fully embody the diversity of cultures to be found throughout the land. It is the epimote of the country's immense range of archaeological sites, world famous monuments and historical locations.

And, above all, its four supreme buildings are unmistakable proof of Turkey's deep commintment to safeguard its uniquely rich heritage, beginning with its marvellous architechtural legacy. The oldest of the four gems is the multi- frescoed Hagia Sophia, which is now a museum, built by Emperor Justinian in the early 6th century. It was followed nearly one thousand years later by the fabulous Topkapi Palace, seat of the Ottoman sultans until 1856 and now a museum housing thousands of priceless treasures in a beautiful setting of courtyards and gardens. Soon afterwards the magnificent Suleymaniye Mosque was built, and half a century later the grandeur of the Blue Mosque was added.

Another great place is the Dolmabahce Palace which was built in the mid-19th century. It stretches for 600 metres on the European shores of the Bosphorus. The vast reception salon, with 56 columns and a huge crystal chandelier weighting four and half tons and lit by 750 lights, never fails to astonish visitors. Ataturk, founder of Turkish Republic, died in Dolmabahce Palace on the tenth of November, 1938.

Istanbul stands as a key to the Turkish nation, a brilliant work of art that only time could create and that only careful attention has preserved.



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# TIEMS 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

June 9 – 11, 2009  
ISTANBUL, TURKEY

## CALL FOR PAPERS



The International Emergency Management Society

[www.tiems2009.org](http://www.tiems2009.org)

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Turkish Chamber of Civil Engineers



Turkish Earthquake Foundation

Governorship of Istanbul

## Background & Objective

The increasing frequency of disasters in recent years and the scale of damage they bring, pose considerable challenges regarding the development of viable and effective approaches, to help mitigate the impacts upon the population and the environment. The new threats faced, from developing technologies, globalisation, and political tensions are increasing. These, together with the risks associated with climate change, and threats to our safety like bird flu, not forgetting the more traditional hazards, bring about a need for a coordinated approach to research and international collaboration on emergency management.

Two devastating earthquakes occurred in Turkey, (August 17 and November 12) in 1999. The magnitudes were 7.4 and 7.2 respectively. The epicenters of the earthquakes were approximately 130 km away from Istanbul. The first earthquake was a catastrophe for the entire country, which affected 10 cities including Istanbul and caused over 15,000 casualties. Now it is accepted that, Istanbul is expecting a destructive earthquake within the next couple decades.

The TIEMS 2009 conference will be executed in the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of those devastating earthquakes in a city which is waiting for its turn. We will be waiting for you to create or offer new techniques to manage the intercontinental emergency situations.

**To encourage cooperation and international communication** across national boundaries, scientific disciplines and between academics and practitioners in order to effectively deal with these threats before, during and after major events in a collaborative and knowledge based approach.

**To develop new methods, knowledge and organizations** in order to better understand emergencies by scientific research and major event investigation. Training needs to enhance skills and practices for professionals and volunteers can then be identified, improving resilience.

**To evaluate the application of technologies** to support knowledge management, logistics, monitoring, simulation, exercising, global notification and awareness building and decision support.

**To evaluate Recovery and relief** strategies to address the threats of the modern world and their relevance and importance

## Scientific Program

The scientific program contains the following elements:

- International keynote speakers
- Paper presentations
- Panel discussions
- Posters
- Posters speakers corner

Delegates will hear from international experts in emergency management and learn about the latest techniques, equipment and theories, and will be able to meet and discuss important issues of global emergency management with other international colleagues and experts.

The theme for the conference is "Let's Meet Where The Continents Meet". TIEMS have identified a series of topics, covering this theme for which participants are invited to submit contributions:

- Global Cooperation in Emergency Management
- Information Decision Support
- GIS in Emergency Management
- Terrorism and Security
- Critical Infrastructure
- Emergencies and the Media
- Psychological Aspects of Disasters
- Training and Education
- Business Continuity
- Risk Assessment Professional Practice
- Information & Communication Technologies
- Environmental Protection
- Climate Change
- Health Emergencies & Response

## Paper Submission

Your contribution can be in the form of a paper proposal or a poster proposal. The papers will be evaluated for quality by TIEMS Paper Review Committee, with feed-back to you. There will be various opportunities to express your ideas, not only by presentation of papers, but also the poster sessions, and through discussion anytime during the conference. The posters will be included in one section of the Proceedings.

## Deadlines

Title and abstract : November 15<sup>th</sup> 2008  
TIEMS approval : December 22<sup>nd</sup> 2008

Full paper / poster : March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009  
TIEMS approval : March 31<sup>st</sup> 2009

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