A YOUNG RESEARCHERS' WORKSHOP ON "INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH"

December 4, 2009, Institute of Geography, Bucharest

The event was organized by the Institute of Geography of the Romanian Academy, 'Simion Mehedinți' Cultural-Scientific Foundation and the National Committee for Global Environmental Change, in collaboration with the University of Bucharest (Faculties of Geography and Chemistry) and the Center for Environmental Research, Protection and Waste Reciclying.

The theme of the 9th edition was promotion of environmental research and stimulation of an interdisciplinary dialogue between PhD and MA students from various research fields: Geography, Geology, Ecology, Chemistry, Biology, Economic Sciences, etc.

Two papers *Rapid response using remote sensing. Lessons from the 2004 Tsunami* and Geographical expedition in Kazachstan, 2009 *Travellers in the Land of the Nomads at the Aral Lake*, were presented by Prof. Dan Blumberg from the Department of Geography and Environmental Development, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel and Anca Munteanu, Faculty of Geography, University of Bucharest, respectively.

The event was attended by 50 researchers from the Institute of Geography, the Faculties of Geography, Chemistry and Biology, the Center for Environmental Research, Protection and Waste Reciclying, Faculty of Social Sciences (University of Craiova), Romanian Waters National Administration, Romanian Space Agency, Liège University (Belgium), Wilhelm Westfalian University, Münster (Germany).

Proceedings developed within three sections: 1, Environment and natural hazards; 2, Degradation, pollution and quality of the environment; 3, Analysis of space and sustainable development.

Awards were granted in terms of the scientific value of the papers, of the area discussed and the connection between the repscetive work and the scientific preoccupations of the personality the prize was named after Simion Mehedinți, Vintilă Mihăilescu, Victor Tufescu, Ion Conea, Constatin Istrati, Eugen Angelescu, Gheorghe Spacu, etc.

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That the Workshop was a success was attested also by the participants who attended it.

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