Announcement – Save the Date

RIPAE-1 : First International Conference on Riparian Ecosystems Science and Management

Dear colleagues,

We are pleased to announce that the first international conference on Riparian Ecosystems Science and Management will be held from **18th to 20th May 2021 in Bratislava (Slovakia)**.

At the Conference we invite academia and civil society to discuss and share knowledge among scientists, policy makers and stakeholders from different scientific disciplines, geographical regions and management contexts to understand how riparian ecosystems are studied and managed across the world.

The conference is organized by the COST Action CONVERGES (https://converges.eu/) and the Plant Science & Biodiversity Center, Slovak Academy of Sciences. The organizers are gearing up for an exciting and informative conference program including plenary lectures, oral and poster presentations and field excursion for up to +/- 130 participants.

Potential topics : assessment methods and indicators, biophysical interactions, functions and ecosystems services, genetic, global changes (climate, landuses, etc), methods and tools (remote sensing, field survey, modeling tools, phytoecological approaches, etc.), riparian ecology, riparian management and restoration, socio-cultural issues, spatial structure, temporal dynamic, others

KEY DATES :

- **August 2020 : Call for papers**
- **25th October 2020 : Abstract submission deadline**
- **December 2020 : Programme and registration open**

Please book it in your calendars, more information to follow.

COVID info : At this time, we are fully committed to holding the meeting in Brastislava as planned. Since the health and safety of our attendees and staff are a priority, we will continue listen to the experts and adhere to the recommendations from WHO, CDC and state and local health authorities. We will adapt the conference format if it is needed and keep you posted via our website, email, and social media.

Further questions and stay in touch ? please contact: ripa-1@sciencesconf.org

Yours sincerely,
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