







Subject: Call for abstracts and welcome to the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual International Sustainable Development Research Society Conference (ISDRS 2016), 13-15 July 2016, Lisbon, Portugal

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Dear colleague,

The International Sustainable Development Research Society (ISDRS) is pleased to announce its **22**<sup>nd</sup> **Annual Conference to be held 13-15 July 2016 in Lisbon, Portugal**. The conference is hosted by the School of Science and Technology (FCT) and the Center for Environmental and Sustainability Research (CENSE) at the Universidade NOVA de Lisboa (UNL), in association with ISDRS. The conference will be preceded by the 1<sup>st</sup> Luso-Brazilian Symposium (11-12 July 2016) on Sustainability Models and Practices, coordinated jointly by the CENSE-FCT-UNL and the Institute of Energy and Environment, University of São Paulo.

The 22<sup>nd</sup> ISDRS conference is dedicated to research contributing to explore sustainability threats and opportunities for emerging and fast changing economies and societies (*New World*). At the same time, it carries the accumulated knowledge about the models and results of countries with relevant past experiences in dealing with sustainability issues in more stable contexts (*Old World*). The major theme will focus on the current sustainability strategies, policies, practices and approaches and the need to rethink their roles and applicability in different socio-cultural and economic contexts.

The main aim of the event is to provide an interdisciplinary forum for discussion on the complex issues of sustainability, welcoming contributions that deal with new approaches, concepts, methods and frameworks or case study applications and integrative reviews, exploring empirical and theoretical aspects.

The 22<sup>nd</sup> ISDRS Conference is organised around the special theme "Rethinking Sustainability Models and Practices: Challenges for the New and Old World Contexts" and the ISDRS core themes and associated tracks:

- 1. Sustainable Development Science;
- 2. Ecosystem Pressures and Limits;
- 3. Climate Change and Energy;
- 4. Sustainable Land Use & Sustainable Cities;

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- 5. Corporate Sustainability and Innovation;
- 6. Society and Sustainability;
- 7. Institutions and Governance Structures for Sustainable Development.

Researchers from around the world are invited to submit abstracts and contribute to the debates that will unfold at 22<sup>nd</sup> ISDRS conference. Please find more information on the conference website: <a href="http://www.isdrsconference.org">http://www.isdrsconference.org</a>. Oral and poster presentations will be accepted and will be subjected to a review process for formal publication in the conference proceedings. Abstract submissions are due by the 15<sup>th</sup> December 2015. You may submit your abstract by visiting the Ex Ordo system (you will be required to setup an account first): <a href="http://isdrs2016.exordo.com/">http://isdrs2016.exordo.com/</a> that is integrated with the conference website. In addition, three Special Issues are foreseen as an output of the conference in the following leading indexed peer-reviewed journals: Sustainable Development, Journal of Cleaner Production and Journal of Environmental Assessment Policy and Management.

For administrative inquires (e.g. payments, registration and accommodation) please contact Ms. Conceição Capelo, via <a href="mailto:cc@fct.unl.pt">cc@fct.unl.pt</a> and <a href="mailto:isdrs2016@campus.fct.unl.pt">isdrs2016@campus.fct.unl.pt</a>, writing "ISDRS ADMIN" + your specific query in the e-mail's subject. For scientific inquiries (e.g. submissions of abstracts and papers) please contact <a href="mailto:isdrs2016@campus.fct.unl.pt">isdrs2016@campus.fct.unl.pt</a>, writing "ISDRS SCIENTIFIC" + your specific query in the e-mail's subject.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Lisbon.

Kind regards,

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