

# ImpactE International Conference on "Past, Present and Future Health Impacts of Extreme Events in Portugal"

25-26 May 2009

Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation  
Auditorium 3, Lisbon, Portugal

## Scope:

Climate change impacts on the human health are one of the most important environmental concerns in the XXI century. Many studies have established a link between changing climate conditions and diseases (SIAM I, 2002). In order to assess this link we started in 2006 the research project: Past, Present and Future Health Impacts of Extreme Events in Portugal. This project is funded by the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation and one of its objectives is to make the assessment of past and current population health vulnerability to: periods of extreme thermal stress; periods with high air pollution levels associated with extreme temperatures and to forest fires and also to the indirect health impacts of drought periods. Another objective is to make the assessment of the possible increases in mortality and morbidity associated with future episodes of extreme weather in Portugal, in particular those associated with heatwaves.

The research work in the project is almost concluded and the results will be presented in the conference "Past, Present and Future Health Impacts of Extreme Events in Portugal"

## Registration:

The availability of the room is limited to 134 people, so registration is mandatory. The conference is free of charge. Registration must be sent by e-mail to the address [aantunes@siam.fc.ul.pt](mailto:aantunes@siam.fc.ul.pt) until the 18th of May 2009.

## Program

25 of May 2009

9.30 - 9.40 | Opening Session

9.40 - 9.50 | The Project ImpactE

Filipe Duarte Santos, SIM/CC-IAM, *Faculdade de Ciências da Univ.de Lisboa*

9.50 - 10.40 | Impact of extreme temperatures in Iberian mortality

Ricardo Garcia-Herrera, *Facultad de Ciencias Físicas, Universidad Complutense de Madrid*

10.40 - 11.30 | Health and environmental impacts of the outstanding 2003 Heatwave in Europe

Ricardo Trigo, *IDL/CGUL, Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa*

11.30 - 11.45 | Coffee Break

11.45 - 12.35 | Weather related health impacts

Pavlos Kassomenos, *Department of Physics, University of Ioannina*

12.35 - 14.30 | Lunch

14.30 - 15.20 | The ECDC response to the climate change challenge

Jan Semenza, *European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)*

15.20 - 16.10 | Extreme weather events in Portugal: Years, Life, and Health lost

Paulo Nogueira, *Instituto Dr. Ricardo Jorge* and Hélder Ferreira

16.10 - 16.40 | EuroHEAT Project – Heatwave Action Plans in Europe and the Heat-Health Action Plan Guidance

António Tavares, *Instituto Dr. Ricardo Jorge*

16.40 - 16.55 | Coffee Break

16.55 - 17.25 | Project 2FUN – Integrating Climate Change in Health Risk Assessments

Elsa Casimiro, *SIM/CC-IAM, Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa*

17.25 - 17.55 | Downscaling Future Climate Scenarios

Pedro Lopes, *SIM/CC-IAM, Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa*

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9.30 - 10.20 | Climate Change Adaptation Strategies for Health

Kristie Ebi, *ESS, LLC*

10.20 - 11.10 | Healthy Solutions for the Low Carbon Economy

Paul Epstein, *Harvard Medical School*

11.10 - 11.25 | Coffee Break

11.25 - 12.30 | Debate

Round table: Francisco George (*Direcção Geral de Saúde*); Viriato Soromenho-Marques (*Faculdade de Letras da Universidade de Lisboa*), K. Ebi, P. Epstein, F.D.Santos

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