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***International Conference on  
Small Societies, Small Business, Small Cities & Villages  
25-26 August 2014, Athens, Greece***

*Conference Venue:*

***[Titania Hotel](#), 52 Panepistimiou Avenue (Eleftheriou Venizelou Avenue)  
Athens 106 78 - Greece***

**Monday 25 August 2014**

**09:30-10:00 Registration and Refreshments**

**10:00-10:30 Opening Remarks**

- Dr. George Poulos, Vice-President of Research, ATINER & Emeritus Professor, University of South Africa, South Africa.
- Mr. Thomas Papanikos, President, Institute of Local Development (ITAΘΑΠ).

**10:30-10:45 Coffee Break**

**10:45-11:30 Session I**

**Chair:** Dr. George Poulos, Vice-President of Research, ATINER & Emeritus Professor, University of South Africa, South Africa.

Panagiotis Petratos, Associate Professor of Computer Information Systems, California State University, Stanislaus, USA.

***Small Business Academic Programs Opportunities in EU and USA.***

**11:30-11:45 Coffee Break**

**11:45-12:30 Session II**

**Chair:** Dr. Panagiotis Petratos, Associate Professor of Computer Information Systems, California State University, Stanislaus, USA.

- Kavita Miadaira Hamza, Professor, University of Sao Paulo, Brazil, Denise de Abreu Sofiatti Dalmarco, M.Sc. Student, University of Sao Paulo, Brazil & Julia Christina Cortes Araujo, M.Sc. Student, Alves Faria Faculty, Brazil.

***Habits of Consumption in Low Income Rural Communities in Brazil: Challenges and Opportunities.***

12:30-12:45 Coffee Break

12:45-13:30 Session III

Chair: Mr. Thomas Papanikos, President, Institute of Local Development (ITAΘΑΠ)

- Julia Fawaz, Full Professor, Bio-Bio University, Chile, Paula Soto, Full Professor, Autonomy University of Mexico, Mexico & Rosana Vallejos, Professor, Bio-Bio University, Chile.

*Female micro-enterprises in rural central Chile. Construction and reconstruction of the role of women in agriculture. A case study.*

13:30-14:30 Lunch

21:00-22:30 Greek Dinner (Details to be announced during registration)

Tuesday 26 August 2014

10:00-10:45 Session IV

Chair: Mr. Jesus Gaston Gutierrez Cedillo, Professor, Autonomy University of Estado, Mexico.

- Zoe Boutsoli, Deputy Head, [Health Research Unit](#) of ATINER & Instructor, Open University of Greece.

*Comparison of Hospital Admissions in Two Rural Greek Public Hospitals.*

- Vasilis Haralabopoulos, Ph.D. Student, University of Stirling, U.K.

*The Greek NHS and the Implementation of New Public Management Ideology and Practices.*

10:45-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-11:45 Session V

Chair: Zoe Boutsoli, Deputy Head, [Health Research Unit](#) of ATINER & Instructor, Open University of Greece.

- Marta Dobrovodska, Researcher, Institute of Landscape Ecology Slovak Academy of Sciences, Slovakia, Veronika Piscova, Researcher, Institute of Landscape Ecology Slovak, Jana Spulerova, Researcher, Institute of Landscape Ecology Slovak Academy of Sciences, Slovakia & Dagmar Stefunkova, Researcher, Institute of Landscape Ecology Slovak Academy of Sciences, Slovakia. Academy of Sciences, Slovakia.

*Cultural Heritage of Traditional Agricultural Landscape in Slovakia.*

- \*Jesus Gaston Gutierrez Cedillo, Professor, Autonomy University of Estado, Mexico, Jose Isabel Juan Perez, Professor, Autonomy University of Estado, Mexico & Elsa Mireya Rosales Estrada, Professor, Autonomy University of Estado, Mexico.

*Local Rural Gastronomic Traditional Tourism. A Strategy for Local and Regional Development, at the south of the State of México.*

11:45-12:00 Coffee Break

**12:00-13:30 Session VI**

**Chair:** Dr. George Poulos, Vice-President of Research, ATINER & Emeritus Professor, University of South Africa, South Africa.

- Zita Izakovicova, Director, Institute of Landscape Ecology, Slovakia & Milena Moyzeova, Researcher, Institute of Landscape Ecology, Slovakia. *Assessment of the Problems of the Slovak Rural Landscape, in the Context of Globalization and Transitive Economy.*
- Hatice Ozgul Ozhisar, Ph.D. Student, Middle East Technical University, Turkey. *Autonomous Architecture in the Transformation of Bodrum; From Small Coastal Village to Big Touristic Destination.*

13:30-14:30 Lunch

17:30-21:00 Urban Tour with Dinner  
(Details to be announced during registration)