



Press release

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The preparations for **Rhodes Model Regional Co-operation**, a unique conference-simulation of regional international organizations, are on track. RhodesMRC 2010 will take place in Rhodes, Greece, from October 6th to October 10th, and it is organized by the House of Europe in Rhodes. Already more than 40 people from 10 countries (Greece, Egypt, Italy, Georgia, Israel, Morocco, Germany, Pakistan, Poland and Romania) have registered.

Furthermore, the official “Rules of Procedure”, “Guidelines” and the “Study Guides” on the agenda topics are due in the first half of August, as they are being currently drafted by the highly experienced board and they will receive the final approval of the Scientific Committee, that consists of university professors from Greece and abroad.

The topics for the first session of RhodesMRC 2010 are:

For the “Union for the Mediterranean” committee:

- **Euro-Mediterranean Co-operation on Sustainable Energy**
Developing and Implementing New Strategies in the Framework of the "EUROMED Energy Action Plan 2008-2013"
- **Maritime Safety**
Living in the Mediterranean - Enhancing Co-operation - Facing the Challenges

For the “Black Sea Economic Co-operation” committee:

- **BSEC and EU cooperation in the field of energy**
Towards a future "Joint BSEC-EU Action Plan for Regional Energy Security"?
- **Implementing the Memorandum of Understanding on the Development of the Motorways of the Sea at the BSEC region**

The organizing partners to RhodesMRC 2010 are the **Municipality of Rhodes**, the **Postgraduate Studies Programme “Political, Economic and International Relations in the Mediterranean”** of the **Department of Mediterranean Studies of the University of the Aegean in Rhodes** and the **International Centre for Black Sea Studies**, while it is supported by the **Prefecture of Dodecanese** and the **Rhodes Bar Association**.

The sessions of RhodesMRC will be hosted at the City Hall of Rhodes, while the participants will have the opportunity to experience the vast spectrum of the beauties and heritage of Rhodes.

Finally, the House of Europe in Rhodes, with the occasion of RhodesMRC 2010, will honor **Mrs Rodi Kratsa-Tsagkaropoulou**, Vice-president of the European Parliament, for her long contribution to the development of the parliamentary relations and the advancement of co-operation among the countries of what came to be the Union for the Mediterranean.

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