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9th International Conference on Thermal Equipment, Renewable Energy and Rural Development (TE-RE-RD 2020)

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The International Conference on Thermal Equipment, Renewable Energy and Rural Development (TE-RE-RD) is a well-established annual event which first took place in 2012. In June 2020, after delays caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the 9th meeting (planned for 2019) finally took place online. The TE-RE-RD conference is a multi-disciplinary event which serves as a forum for scientists from academic, research and development communities around the world as well as students and early career researchers. We spoke with Gabriel Negreanu, Professor at the University Politehnica of Bucharest, who helps to organise this conference.

An open access publication series dedicated to conference proceedings related to the Environment, Energy and Earth Sciences.

### What led you to Web of Conferences in the first instance?

Initially, Professor Negreanu and his colleagues used a local publisher, but in 2019, decided to explore other options. They found there are not many alternatives available for publishing conference proceedings in their subject areas. They searched for other Romanian conferences specialising in environmental issues hosted by international publishers and discovered Web of Conferences. It was immediately attractive due to its extensive indexations. Authors are, naturally, interested in being indexed and *E3S* offered the right mix of features and service. Professor Negreanu and his colleagues therefore decided to publish the 8th TE-RE-RD 2019 proceedings with Web of Conferences.

### **Continuity in service and quality**

The organisers were so impressed by their first publishing experience with Web of Conferences that they decided to also publish the 9th TE-RE-RD 2020 with them. When only three or four people are organising such an extensive conference, it really helps to have a trusted publishing partner. Professor Negreanu finds the Web of Conferences team to be reliable and flexible. It was a "very positive" experience, particularly in a difficult year and Professor Negreanu highlighted ease of communication, good problem solving and understanding the evolving situation as particular strengths of the Web of Conferences team.





### Ease of process - a standout feature

From the start, it was very straightforward to make an enquiry via the website and Professor Negreanu received a very quick response at a competitive price. Thereafter, the whole process was remarkably smooth and responses were always quick, helpful and friendly. The organisers were impressed that only one issue occurred this year relating to one paper among 84 in total, and that issue was addressed and resolved efficiently by the Web of Conferences team. Overall, the speed of publication was impressive.

# A digital legacy with flexible publishing options

The organisers use the Conference Management Toolkit provided by Microsoft in order to manage the paper submissions and reviewing process and this fits well with Web of Conferences processes. *E3S* Web of Conferences is pleased to support different publishing options and offers online and print options. Professor Negreanu regrets not ordering any printed copies of the TE-RE-RD 2020 proceedings, but fully intends to order some for the next edition of the conference in 2021 to include them in his own archive at the University Politehnica of Bucharest.

# Building a supportive, long term partnership

E3S Web of Conferences is the best fit for TE-RE-RD 2020. "The second publishing adventure with E3S Web of Conferences was better than the first one, because of previous experience. We knew and trusted each other in order to challenge barriers caused by the COVID 19 pandemics: date postponing, moving online, convincing reviewers, etc. We are looking forward to the collaboration for TE-RE-RD 2021." Professor Negreanu has also recommended Web of Conferences to other event organisers as he feels both the product and service are of a very high quality.

### Gabriel Negreanu, Professor at the University Politehnica of Bucharest

"The ratio quality-price for the services was very good, so we agreed to try what happens," Professor Negreanu told us. "It was very pleasant surprise since the beginning. Very nice people - they answer in one maybe two days, so all the questions, all the problems I had with this, were solved within quick and very successful means. It was wonderful."

### Read the proceedings

The published proceedings are free to read in *E3S* Web of Conferences. Click the link below to access the volumes directly.

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#### **Our thanks**

We would like to thank Professor Negreanu for his time and feedback and wish TE-RE-RD every success for 2021 and beyond.

#### Collaborate with us

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