

SAVE WORKSHOP INVITATION

“Field Data Collection, Analysis and Reporting”



Photo by M. Aureggi

When: 28 February 2008 (08:30 – 16:00) and
29 February 2008 (08:30 – 13:30)

Where: SAVE
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Floor 3, Köşklüçiftlik, Nicosia

Accurate, consistent and properly formatted field data is essential to all environmental protection and management activities. Without solid data, it is impossible to record results, track progress or develop management and conservation strategies.

Scientists, conservationists, engineers and technicians interested in learning international standards and techniques for how to collect and use field data for environmental protection are invited to participate in SAVE’s “Field Data Collection, Analysis and Reporting” workshop. Together, international marine turtle expert Monica Aureggi, GIS expert James Price and town planner Can Kara will present the latest in field data collection practices, including the proper use of Global Positioning System (GPS) devices and information. A model for field data collection protocols that might be applied locally will be outlined as will comparative approaches from around the world.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION & TO RSVP

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AGENDA

DAY 1 – February 28

- 09.00 – 09.10 Registration
09.10 – 09.55 Data Collection: Synchronization and Harmonization of Data by Monica Aureggi
09.55 - 10.40 International Data Exchange by Monica Aureggi
10.40 – 11.00 BREAK
11.00 – 12.00 Tools to Integrate Data on One Common Ground: GPS Standards and Techniques by Can Kara
12:00 – 13:00 Tools to Integrate Data on One Common Ground: GIS Database Creation and Metadata by James Price
13.00 – 13.30 LUNCH
13.30 – 15.00 Sea Turtle Conservation Field Work: Lessons for Other Field Activities by Monica Aureggi
15.00 – 15.30 Why “GPS” is useful by Can Kara & James Price
15.30 – 16.00 Question and Answer

DAY 2 – February 29

- 09.00 – 09.10 Registration
09.10 – 10.40 Model: Data Evaluation on Sea Turtle Nesting and Hatching by Monica Aureggi
10.40 – 11.00 BREAK
11.00 – 11.45 Data Evaluation Using Excel by Monica Aureggi
11.45 – 13.00 Report Writing
13.00 – 13.30 Wrap up

MONICA AUREGGI is an international marine turtle expert with over 13 years of experience working in marine turtle conservation in South East Asia and various sites in the Mediterranean. Since 1995, she has undertaken marine turtle conservation efforts in the Mediterranean region and has extensive knowledge of conservation sites in Turkey, Greece, Italy and Lebanon. In 1996, she began a conservation project on a remote island in South Thailand targeted towards the local population who consume turtle eggs and meat. The initiative is supported by Phuket Marine Biological Center. Even though the project was tragically devastated by the tsunami in 2004, her conservation efforts continue through the Italian non-governmental organization Naucrates which is supporting sea turtle conservation and the local community.

Her extensive fieldwork, scientific studies and publications make her a valuable resource, consultant and trainer on marine turtle conservation. Ms. Aureggi is a member of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and Marine Turtle Specialist Group (MTSG). She received her Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences from the University of Milan (Italy) and completed her Master in Science in Conservation Biology at Canterbury University, Durrell Institute of Conservation and Ecology (UK).

James A. Price is the SAVE GIS Program Manager and leads the GIS team. He has over 20 years of experience in the geospatial industry, with both the public and private sector. Throughout his career Mr. Price has worked in all aspects of GIS implementation, management, and application development. Most recently he has worked for the City of New Orleans, in the Hurricane Katrina recovery effort. As an authorized ESRI Instructor, Mr. Price has hired and trained GIS staff. He has designed, specified, procured, and installed GIS workstations and servers, led entire departments in the upgrading of their GIS hardware and software, developed production tools for automation of GIS production work, and led the implementation of internet map services. He has experience in all types of data and data management issues including creating and maintaining metadata, converting paper maps into digital GIS databases, and modernizing data products for agencies including the US Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the US National Hurricane Center.

Can Kara is the SAVE GIS Deputy Program Manager. He has over 7 years of planning experience and has worked on projects related to the “Nicosia Master Plan”, including the “New Vision for the Core of Nicosia” project funded by UNDP and USAID, and development of Bafra, Morphou and Kyrenia planning regulations and related digitization work. He has also coordinated digitization projects for Nicosia and Famagusta. Mr. Kara has been applying landfill location development for the Waste Management Project in cooperation with the European Union Coordination Center. He also has experience with the Urban Research and Development Center at Eastern Mediterranean University creating and maintaining data and converting paper maps into digital maps using GIS.