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**“Sustainable Entrepreneurship Networking”**

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COSMO 2008 Small Business Conference is supported by the **Small Business Chamber of Macedonia** and the **Economic Chamber of North-West Macedonia**

We are proud to announce **COSMO 2008 Small Business Conference** - the place for establishing business network and creating new business models, innovations and finance opportunities for the network members of EU, candidate and associate countries.

Following the call for papers we have received extremely interesting contributions from specialists in the relevant research areas and practical fields.

The presentations will cover a wide field of research-topics and practical experiences from all continents. Plenary sessions and paper sessions with a strong focus on discussions are being planned to ensure that all participants can choose to attend the most relevant presentations by leading experts.

The Conference Organization Committee announce

***”Extension of the dead line for paper submission till October 25, 2008”***

We thank you for your papers on the following subjects:

- SME Development in Transition and Developing Economies
- Small Business Support Services
- Export Marketing Networks



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- Micro-finance, Development Banking, Innovative SME Financing
- Social, Environmental, and Ethical Responsibility and Sustainable Development of SMEs Networks
- Business Network Management and Growth
- Regional and Rural Business Networks
- Cross-border and Global e-commerce networks
- Energy Efficiency and ECO Innovations
- Types of Entrepreneurship and Entrepreneurs (e.g., Women, Minorities, Youth and Community and Social Entrepreneurship)
- Training and Development of Entrepreneurs
- Governance and ownership of small firms, including family firms and entrepreneurial firms
- Corporate Entrepreneurship

You are welcome at COSMO 2008 Small Business Conference, whether you are an academic, a researcher, a representative of local, regional and national authorities in the SME development, a consultant or representing a business company.

During the **COSMO 2008 Small Business Conference** three main activities will take place:

**PLENARY SESSION: Sustainable Entrepreneurship Networking**

**IV INTERNATIONAL SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT SEMINAR**

**III INVESTMENT FORUM FOR SMALL BUSINESS**

In the conference package **five more events** are also included where the participants of the Conference can attend:

Round Table Discussion: SME Development in Transition and Developing Economies

Workshop: Tourism Regional Networking

Paper Session: Micro-finance, Development Banking, Innovative SME Financing

Paper Session: CIP programme, IPA programme, FP7 and other funding support schemes

Paper Session: Cross-border and Global e-commerce networks

As with the previous conferences in this series, the **COSMO 2008 Small Business Conference** will be a mixture of presentation and working conference in two days. There will be



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a selected number of invited keynote speakers. The focus of the programme is on the presentations of accepted papers followed by discussions in several plenary sessions.

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