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First of all, I would like to thank the European Meteorological Society for awarding me the Young Scientist Travel Award. It is a great honor to receive this award which enabled me to participate in the 32nd International Conference on Alpine Meteorology which was held from 3 to 7 June 2013 in Kranjska Gora, Slovenia.

The official conference program was divided in thirteen sessions consisting of both oral and poster contributions. The main goal of the conference is to gather world's leading experts as well as weather forecasters, young researchers and students who deal with meteorological processes over complex terrain. Scientific topics ranged from climate change and mountain weather forecasting to mesoscale processes such as convection, foehn, bora and windstorms, waves and rotors, cold air pools and precipitation. This years conference program had a strong mathematical modeling component with many interesting contributions based on numerical modeling using WRF, LES, COSMO, MESO-NH models. Of special interest to me were the boundary layer and turbulence sessions as these topics are closely connected with my PhD research. My oral presentation entitled "Observations of turbulence in the stable surface layer over inhomogeneous terrain" was well-received and subsequent discussion helped to stir my scientific curiosity and gave me guidelines on how to proceed with my work.

The conference gathered some of the world's leading scientists, with the 117 participants in total. The overall atmosphere at the conference was relaxed providing the students with an opportunity to interact with more experienced researchers and to discuss on various scientific topics.

To summarize, during the ICAM 2013 I spent interesting, educative and constructive week in the beautiful surrounding of Julian Alps. I am very grateful for receiving this award, which gave me the opportunity to get in touch with international experts in the area of atmospheric turbulence. This in turn will allow me to develop future scientific cooperation and to expand my knowledge and expertise through scientific training at the one of the most prestigious universities in Central Europe, which is of great importance for my future work.

Yours sincerely,

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