The 17th Conference on Mountain Meteorology took place in Burlington, Vermont, from 27th June until 1st July, 2016. First of all, I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the European Meteorological Society for giving me the Young Scientist Travel Award. Thanks to that I had the chance to participate for the first time in such important conference.

The conference was very interesting and excellent organized. The conference program covered 8 different topics that were arranged in 16 oral sessions with a hundred presentations. There were also 2 poster sessions with more than 50 posters presented. During those two sessions we had enough time (for example, during coffee breaks) to have a look at all posters and to discuss the ones we were interested in. On the second day of the conference I presented a poster of my ongoing project entitled *Surface Energy Balance Closure in the Owens Valley, CA.*

This conference gathered many senior and young scientists from different parts of the world and it was excellent opportunity to gather interesting and friendly academics, professionals and leading experts in the field of Mountain Meteorology. It was also opportunity for sharing ideas and methods, discussing new research approaches and results, interact and exchange findings and views.

Furthermore, several social gatherings such as Icebreaker Reception, Ladies night and Conference Luncheon were organized in relaxed atmosphere to help participants get to know each other. On the third day, Conference Excursion was organized - a tour of the Ben & Jerry's Factory and a visit to the Stowe Recreation Path.

This conference was great and enriching experience for me and I very much enjoyed and benefited from this event. I also feel more motivated to continue my research work and to pursue a career in the field.

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