The report on Annual Meeting of EMS-2017 attendance

My name is Inna Gubenko and I am from long-term weather forecast department in Hydrometeorological research center of Russia. This year I was honored to win Young Scientist Travel Award and participate in Annual Meeting of EMS-2017 in Dublin with the title of contribution "An explicit method of mesoscale convective storm prediction for Central region of Russia".

First of all, I would like to say why I decided to apply for the EMS. Actually my research field - prediction of lightning using numerical weather prediction model - is quite rare. Despite of highly relevance of the results there are not that much so strongly related science meetings in this field to report them. That is why I have found EMS meeting very useful for me because there are sessions highly related to my research field - for instance, the session about understanding and modeling of natural hazards weather events and WRF-ARW model. I was highly motivated to extend my academic and professional horizon, to get an evaluation of my research results from major specialists of the atmospheric science and to be active listener on session talks. Besides there is a unique opportunity to discuss my results with leaders of convective storms research.

In the reality it was the big value to be able to participate in this event for my research and future career.

The first and main value of the EMS attendance to the research is getting a feedback from scientists from all over the world and from probably another research fields. Their questions and comments could help me to look at my work from a little bit another point of view. That's very useful because helps to see my disadvantages – in research methods and results, poster design and presentation of the report. It's even more important for me to practice with it in a foreign language.

The second value is that EMS presents the High level of meteorological science. So it gave me the up-to-date vision of methods in current research field. The cross-fertilization of ideas would enhance my forecasting skills of such hard-predictable phenomena as a convective storm.

As for a future career EMS was a good experience to meet and make acquaintances with scientists including young ones from different countries who represent international scientific projects. Who knows perhaps we can make some joint project in a nearest future.

So I am very thankful to EMS Scientific Committee for the appreciation of my research and YSTA selection and organizers for granting me to this big and interesting meeting. I was very proud to be a part of it! Thank you!

Kind regards, Inna Gubenko