

# FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE:

# PROVENCE' 2009

SEISMIC RISK IN MODERATE SEISMICITY AREA:  
FROM HAZARD TO VULNERABILITY.

“WHAT DID WE LEARN SINCE  
THE 1909 PROVENCE (LAMBESC) EARTHQUAKE ?”

AIX EN PROVENCE (FRANCE) - JULY 6-8, 2009

The 11 June 1909, Provence (Lambesc) earthquake is the strongest instrumental seismic event recorded in French history. It destroyed several villages between Aix-en-Provence and Salon-de-Provence and caused 46 deaths, a rather high death toll for such a sparsely populated region at this time.

The 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this dramatic, though rare, event provides the opportunity to organize a conference on the “seismic risk assessment in regions of moderate seismicity”.

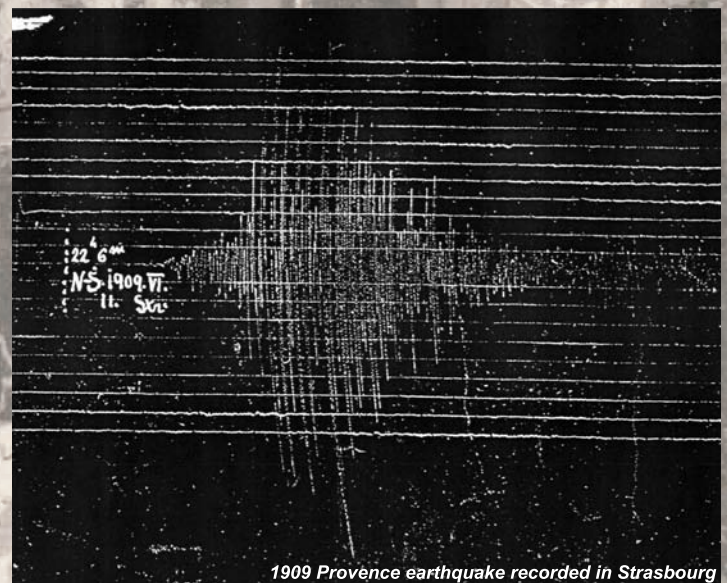
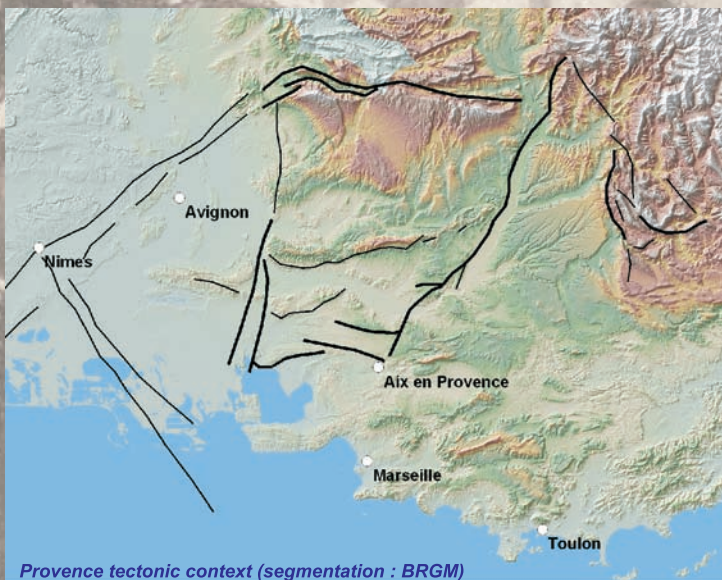
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## Objectives and conference topics:

The objective of the "Provence' 2009 conference" is to share works, views and experiences about seismic risk assessment in moderate seismicity areas, with a special focus on the Western Mediterranean zone. The conference intends to emphasize six main topics:

- Geodynamic of western Mediterranean area, geological and tectonic context,
- From earthquake science to seismic hazard assessment,
- Building and territory vulnerability within the Mediterranean context,
- Observation and instrumentation: new challenges,
- Coping with uncertainties: state of the art and experience feed-back,
- Societal aspects and economical issues.

The aim of the conference is to gather, around a common reflection, a wide community of actors coming from seismic hazard sciences, juridical and socio-economical studies, earthquake engineering,...

## Call of papers:

Authors are invited to submit abstract (max. one page, template on website). Authors will have the opportunity to write a longer text with few figures (expanded abstract). "Short" and Expanded Abstract will be published and available at the conference.

## Venue:

Faculté de Montperrin, Université Paul Cézanne Aix-Marseille,  
Aix-en-Provence

## Schedule and Deadlines:

Submission of short abstracts:	December 31, 2008
Pre-registration:	December 31, 2008
Acceptance of short abstract:	January 31, 2009
Early bird registration:	March 31, 2009
Submission of expanded abstract (optional):	April 30, 2009

## Registration Fees:

(including conference entrance, coffee breaks and icebreaker dinner)

*Before March 31, 2009 (early bird):*

- Students: 60 €
- Other: 120 €

*After March 31, 2009 (all participants): 180 €*

**Second announcement in February 2009.**

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