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Re: **2019 Esri European GeoConX Conference**

I would like to attend the Esri European GeoConX Conference, May 7-9, 2019, in Rotterdam, Netherlands. This event will bring together GIS expertise from many sectors and provide access to expertise to ensure we’re getting the most from our GIS investment in Utilities.

For more than two full days this conference provides a unique opportunity to network with 200+ attendees from across Europe who are using utility GIS technology in their organizations. This abundance of user‐to‐user communication and collaboration is essential to learning about real-life GIS experiences, best practices, tips and tricks, and more. There are several focused technical presentations on workflows and specific challenges, as well as user presentations that share best practices and experiences.

This is an especially important year for me to keep up with changes in technology. Geospatial technology is advancing rapidly, providing more real-time operational solutions and powerful integration capabilities in modernizing how utilities adapt to energy transition. I need to know how we can leverage this capability to make the most of our resources and ensure we leverage how GIS can enable us to move our Utility forward.

A few projects that stand to directly benefit from our presence at the conference include these:

I’m also looking at ways to reduce my attendance expenses through special hotel and airfare rates. Here is an approximate breakdown of the cost of attending the conference:

Registration:

Airfare:

Transportation: (round-trip taxi from airport to hotel)

Hotel: ($XX per night)

Meals: ($XX per day)

Total:

I will submit a trip report post-event that will include a brief conference summary, including a set of recommended actions to further our GIS work. I’d also be more than happy to share relevant information with other staff members and departments.

Thank you for any consideration you give this, and I look forward to your reply.