Speleological Events Support 2024 – New Call!

Dear Colleagues, Dear Friends,

We are glad to inform you, that the second Call for speleological events support in 2024 is open! Granted can be the international expeditions or other events focused on exploration, study, or protection of caves and karst, with emphasis on educational, technical and/or scientific cooperation.

UIS Bureau especially encourage young cavers and scientists to submit proposals for their projects, and the Bureau will take these submissions into prefer consideration.

All requests should contain description of proposed event as detailed as you are thinking is important for understanding the aims of your project, the purpose for which the funds will be used and show explicitly, that the proposed event is in line with the **Statutes, Internal Regulations and Code of Ethics of the UIS**. Requests which do not meet these requirements will not be accepted.

In case of **speleological expeditions**, participants have to be from **at least 3 different countries**, one of which is recommended to be the host country where the project will be conducted.

Detailed conditions and more details about speleological events support can be found in the Speleological Events Support Guidelines on https://uis-speleo.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Speleological-Events-Support-Guidelines-Version-2-September-2019.pdf, or please, do not hesitate to ask UIS Vice President of Administration Zdenek Motycka at z.motycka@mediform.cz.

The deadline for this Call is on November 30, 2024.

All request received till deadline, will be evaluated by UIS Bureau and the best projects will be supported. For this Call, the UIS Bureau decided to dedicate a max. amount of **4.000,- EUR,** it means, that this amount is maximum, what can be split between **ALL** supported projects. All requests received after the deadline will not be accepted, but can be submitted for the next call.

Your requests must be sent before deadline to the UIS via Adjunct Secretary Mario Parise at <u>mario.parise@uniba.it</u> and Adjunct Secretary Marc Mentens <u>marcbingcacao@gmail.com</u> (in CC)

Before submitting, please ensure that:

1) The proposal and all supporting documents are submitted in one single PDF file.

2) The proposal includes a statement from the applicant(s) that the proposed event meets the Statutes, Internal Regulations and Code of Ethics of the UIS.

3) The proposal states the amount of funding requested and the purpose for which the funds will be used.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their proposal in early February.

Zdenek Motycka

UIS Vice President of Administration