



28<sup>th</sup> International Karstological School "Classical karst"

## REGIONAL KARSTOLOGY - LOCAL AND GENERAL ASPECTS

Postojna, June 15<sup>th</sup>–19<sup>th</sup> 2020  
Organised by Karst Research Institute ZRC SAZU

### FIRST CIRCULAR

Since 1993, the International Karstological School "Classical Karst" (IKS) has been organised annually, covering many aspects related to karst research. The basic idea of the event is to present the state-of-the-art of the annually selected topic and to promote discussion between participants via a set of invited and topic-related lectures, a poster session and field trips to the Slovenian Classical Karst area.

#### MAIN TOPIC

28<sup>th</sup> International Karstological School will be focused to the regional karst studies. Karst is distributed in most continents and climatic regimes. Most of what we know on karst is based on regional studies. These have direct implications in development challenges of a particular region, however, their broader relevance and validity of regional results may be questionable. Results of regional studies thus, may or may not be generally valid. Regardless of what your topic is (geomorphology, geology, hydrology, biology, speleology, ...) we encourage you to present your regional study and discuss its results in view of their relevance to other karst systems.



## PROGRAMME OUTLINE

	Monday June 15 <sup>th</sup> 2020	Tuesday June 16 <sup>th</sup> 2020	Wednesday June 17 <sup>th</sup> 2020	Thursday June 18 <sup>th</sup> 2020	Friday June 19 <sup>th</sup> 2020	Saturday June 20 <sup>th</sup> 2020
<b>Morning</b>	Registration Sessions	Sessions	Sessions	Whole-day excursion	Whole-day excursion	<i>*Optional: Training course »Visual KARSYS«</i>
<b>Afternoon</b>	Sessions & Poster session	Field trip	Field trip			
<b>Evening</b>	Ice breaker & Mysteries of karst			Gala reception		

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## REGISTRATION

Registration will be online only and open till April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Link to the registration form, abstract submission, payment instructions and other information is available on the website: <http://iks.zrc-sazu.si/en/>.

The registration fee is 175 EUR, and for the undergraduate students 75 EUR. It includes conference materials, excursions, refreshments during coffee breaks, participation at gala reception and at all excursions. For payment and participation on Saturday's training course, please, contact Swiss Institute for Speleology and Karstology ([arnauld.malard@isska.ch](mailto:arnauld.malard@isska.ch)).

The official languages of the event are English and Slovene. The abstracts must be submitted till February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The participant's preferred mode of presentation (i.e., poster/oral) will be considered by the organiser. Selected papers contributions will be recommended for publication in *Acta Carsologica*.

The Second Circular including the detailed programme of the IKS will be available by mid of April 2020.

## SUPPORT

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