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

## SPELEOLOGY

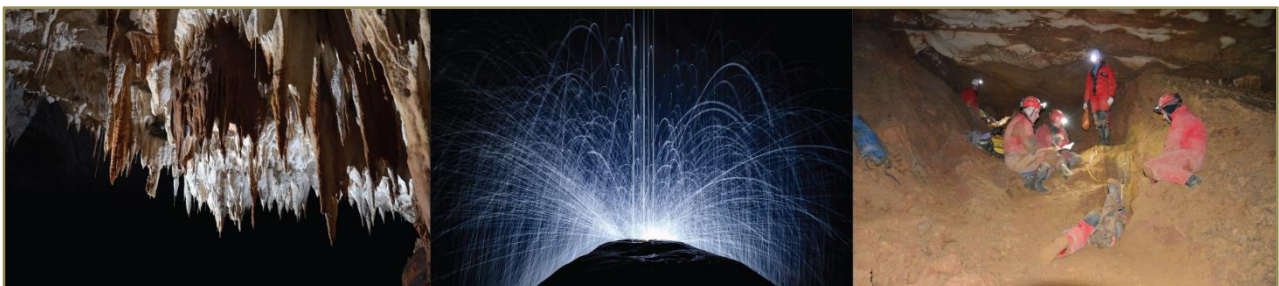
Postojna, June 13<sup>th</sup>–17<sup>th</sup> 2022  
Karst Research Institute ZRC SAZU

## FIRST CIRCULAR

Since 1993, the International Karstological School "Classical Karst" (IKS) has been organised continuously. The school offers a framework in which young and established karstologists from all over the world present new research in the field of karstology, socialize and get to know the Classical Karst. Each year we choose a leading topic, history and state of research of which are presented by invited lecturers, and other participants present their new findings in the forms of lectures or posters. The red thread of the school are afternoon and all-day excursions, where the leading theme is presented on the example of the Classical Karst. The last full-day excursion is entirely dedicated to the general presentation of the most important areas of the Classical Karst.

### MAIN TOPIC

The 29th International Karstological School will be dedicated to speleological research. Speleology is an extremely broad field that combines research on caves and in caves. Although we have already discussed various aspects of speleology in some past schools, the topic is always relevant due to the liveliness of research, many new methods and concepts. Last but not least, the celebration also honors the past International Year of Karst and Caves. Participants will discuss speleogenesis, cave sediment research, physical speleology, geological and geomorphological development, hydrological aspects of caves and cave life. Presentations of regional research, new methodological approaches and theoretical concepts in speleology are welcome.



Source: Tartarus – Postojnska jama (Hajna J.), Predjama (Blatnik M.), Lipiška jama (Hajna A.)

## PROGRAMME OUTLINE

Expected program in case of classic (physical) implementation:

	Monday June 13 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday June 14 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday June 15 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Friday June 17 <sup>th</sup>
Morning	Registration Sessions	Sessions	Sessions	Whole-day excursion	Whole-day excursion
Afternoon	Sessions & Poster session	Field trip	Field trip		
Evening	Ice breaker & Mysteries of karst			Gala reception with the concert of "Geoband"	

## REGISTRATION

You can apply to the IKS until 30 April 2022. Applications will be accepted only online at <http://iks.zrc-sazu.si/si/index.html>, where instructions for submitting an abstract and paying the registration fee are also available.

**We will constantly monitor the developments around the epidemic, and inform you as soon as possible if we need to adapt to the situation by implementing a virtual/hybrid form.**

In the case of physical participation, the registration fee is 175 EUR, for undergraduate students 75 EUR. The registration fee covers the costs of the excursion guide with a book of abstracts, excursions, snacks and drinks during lectures and refreshments at the introductory social evening and closing reception. In the case of a virtual implementation, the registration fee is 25 EUR. Payment will be possible when the way the conference is conducted becomes clearer.

The official languages of the MKŠ are Slovene and English. Abstracts must be written and submitted no later than April 15, 2022. Translation will be provided by the organizer. Participants can suggest the form of their presentation (poster/lecture), but the final decision will be made by the organizer according to the number of applications and lectures. Selected papers contributions will be recommended for publication in *Acta carsologica*.

The Second Circular with a detailed IKS program is expected to be available at the end of April 2022.

## SUPPORT

Slovenian National Commission for UNESCO, Scientific Research Centre SAZU, Slovenian Research Agency, Municipality of Postojna.

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