Institute of Landscape Ecology, Slovak Academy of Sciences
Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra
Slovak Ecological Society by the Slovak Academy of Sciences

Landscape diversity and biodiversity

18th International Symposium
on Problems of Landscape Ecological Research

23 – 27 April, 2019
Congress Centre Smolenice SAS, Slovakia

2nd announcement November 2018
1. **Landscape structure changes and land-use** - influence on biodiversity
2. **Landscape protection and biodiversity conservation** (national legislation, international conventions, implementation, etc.)
3. **Changes of historical structures in the landscape**
4. **Urbanization and settlements development** - impacts on the landscape

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Venue

The Symposium will take place in Congress Centre Smolenice located on foothills of Little Carpathians Mountains (Malé Karpaty) approx. 60 km to the northwest of Bratislava:
http://kcsmolenice.sav.sk/?lng=sk&charset=&doc=basinfo&lng=en&charset=ascii

Symposium programme

23 April (Tue) - registration at the venue, paper session
24 – 26 April (Wed-Fri) - paper and poster sessions, a joint dinner, excursion
27 April (Sat) - departure

Preliminary program:
https://drive.google.com/open?id=1emgX78EQ-n80Htn05AzwmmsZyaUpO3YV

Important dates

31 December 2018 - deadline for the regular fee payments
23 April 2019 - deadline for submission of full papers
- Symposium opening

Registration

Registration is compulsory for all conference participants (including the member of the scientific board, organizing committee, invited speakers).

To register please fill in the registration form available. You will receive an acknowledgement within the following 10 days. Your registration will be compiled and valid after having paid the symposium fee. Participation to the Symposium is not conditioned by a presentation or a poster, only by a valid registration.

The deadline for the fee transfer (money received at the account) is 31 December 2018.

Abstract and Proceedings

Language of the Symposium and proceedings is English.

Publication of abstracts and full papers will be possible only for authors with valid registration. Full texts of papers and posters presented at the Symposium can will be published:
- peer-reviewed book of proceedings (its first volume will contain selected contribution and will be applied for indexing in the Web of Science (Thomson-Reuters)
- in journal Ekologické štúdie (Ecological Studies) - is a domestic peer-reviewed scientific journal published by the Institute in collaboration with the Slovak Ecological Society (SEKOS) and the Department of Ecology and Environmental Sciences, Faculty of Natural Sciences of the Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra
- we will keep you informed on other publishing opportunities

Abstract can be of max. 2,500 characters including spaces.

**Full text paper** should have max. 7 – 10 pages format A4 (Please edit your papers according to the Ecology journal's instructions: https://www.degruyter.com/view/j/eko)

**Maximum poster size:** width 90 cm, height 120 cm.

*Your contribution should be sent via email on: symposium2019@savba.sk, alternatively, you may submit it during entry registration on 23 April 2019.*

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**Symposium fee and payment details**

**Symposium fee received until 31 December 2018:**

- Symposium fee regular: 200 €
- 1 day symposium fee regular: 100 €
- Symposium fee for students: 120 €
- 1 day symposium fee for students: 60 €

**Late Symposium fee (received after 31 December 2018):**

- Symposium fee regular: 250 €
- Symposium fee for students: 150 €

The Symposium fee includes: proceedings of abstracts and papers, organization expenses, conference package, symposium dinner, refreshment during coffee breaks.
Payment details:

Bank: Statna pokladnica
Address: Radlinskeho 32, 810 05 Bratislava 15
IBAN: SK58 8180 0000 0070 0028 6792
SWIFT: SPSRSKBA
Account holder: Institute of Landscape Ecology SAS
Information for the account holder: Symposium 2019 + participant’s full name (!!!)

The participant will receive invoice at on-site registration.

Post-conference excursion fee: 50 € (Little Carpathian Wine Route or Smolenice Carst Nature Trail)

Please make the payment for the post-conference excursion together with the Symposium fee.

**Little Carpathian Wine Route**

A strip of towns and villages that are classified as viticultural that runs below the mountain range of Little Carpathians form the Viticultural region of Little Carpathians. Its size and significance makes it the viticultural centre of Slovakia. The Wine Road of Little Carpathians leads through the former royal towns Bratislava, Svätý Jur, Pezinok, and Modra, contiguous villages and ends in Tmava. Apart from cultural and historic monuments visitors will be certainly intrigued by tradition of varied folklore in individual communes of this region where they can pass nice time in numerous wine cellars tasting the excellent dish like the baked goose with a glass of fine local wine and listening to a popular band. The region consists of 12 viticultural areas and covers administrative territory of 120 viticultural communes. The vineyards stretch in a continuous belts on the slopes of the mountains Malé Karpaty from Bratislava to Pezinok and further to Horné Orešany. Varieties of white muscatel such as Rizling vlašský, Rizling rýnsky, Veltlínske zelené, Burgundské biele or blue varieties including Frankovka modrá and Svätovavrinecké are grown here.

**Smolenice Carst Nature Trail**

The undemanding route of this nature trail with a length of 7.5 km enables lovers of nature and history to become familiar with the wild Hlboča Gorge which features the only waterfall (9 m high) in the Little Carpathians, and the archaeological locality of Molpir. The remains of the Hallstatt princely hillfort can be found above the church in Smolenice. This nature trail can be accessed from Smolenice church or at Jahodník on the way to Driny Cave, the only accessible cave in the Little Carpathians. The nature trail has 5 information panels and the time necessary to complete the trail, including the tour of Driny Cave, is approximately 4 hours. The trail is bidirectional and accessible in summer as well as in winter. It is undemanding.

**Acommodation**

The congress centre provides also accommodation facilities. The accommodation could be paid directly on place (only by cash). The costs could be specified in advance according to participant’s requirements. There are also few accommodation facilities provided in village of Smolenice (**hotel, bed and breakfast):

www.kolibapodzamkom.sk
www.penzion-agnes.sk
www.penzionsmolenice.sk
Transport to and from conference venue could be arranged by participants themselves.

**HOW TO ARRIVE**

**By car:** please use the [routefinder page](#) to plan your trip.

**By public transport from Vienna International Airport in Schwechat**

The bus station is next to the airport entrance hall. The best way is to take Regiojet bus, which departs every hour and will take you to Bratislava bus station. It is possible that there will not be any free seats in the bus so we recommend to buy a ticket beforehand via [https://bustickets.regiojet.com](https://bustickets.regiojet.com)

Search for “Vienna - Schwechat Airport Busstation” to “Bratislava - AS Mlynské Nivy” bus station (It will take approx. 1 hour and will cost from 5€)

Another connection:
- [https://cp.hnonline.sk/bus/spojenie/](https://cp.hnonline.sk/bus/spojenie/)
- [https://www.postbus.at/de/](https://www.postbus.at/de/)
- [https://www.slovaklines.sk/hlavna-stranka.html](https://www.slovaklines.sk/hlavna-stranka.html)

From Bratislava bus station take the bus to Smolenice village. Website for the bus timetables is [http://cp.atlas.sk/bus/spojenie; https://cp.hnonline.sk/bus/spojenie/](http://cp.atlas.sk/bus/spojenie; https://cp.hnonline.sk/bus/spojenie/) (Insert "Bratislava,.AS" to "Smolenice"). You can purchase your ticket right in the bus or at the bus station. When you get off of the bus, find directional sign (located in front of the municipal office) and take the blue sidewalk. It is about 15 minutes walk to the Smolenice castle (Bus will take approx. 1 hour and will cost about 3€).

**By public transport from Bratislava airport**

Bus stop is between the airport and the parking place. You have two choices:

1. Take the bus n. 61 from "Letisko (Airport)" stop to "Zimný štadión" bus stop, then take the bus n. 78 from "Zimný štadión" to "Mlynské nivy" stop and you will find the bus station on the other side of the road;

2. Or take the bus n. 96 to "Hraničná-OC Retro" and then take trolleybus n. 202 to "Autobusová stanica (Bus station)" stop. The bus station will be on the right side.

**Find all timetables at website:** [http://imhd.sk/ba/public-transport](http://imhd.sk/ba/public-transport)

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**Please contact us if you need more information about how to arrive to Smolenice.**