



GEO PARKS AND MODERN SOCIETY CONFERENCE

11 – 13 October, Belogradchik, BULGARIA

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

THURSDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2018

16:00-17:00	REGISTRATION: Belogradchik Municipality Hall
17:00-18:30	VISIT THE BELOGRADCHIK FORTRESS AND GEOPARK BUILDING
19:00-20:30	WELCOME COCKTAIL: Hotel Skalite

FRIDAY, 12 OCTOBER 2018

10:00-11:00	REGISTRATION: Hotel Skalite
11:00-12:00	OFFICIAL OPENING - Belogradchik Municipality Hall <i>Greeting speeches:</i> Boris Nikolov , Mayor of Belogradchik Dr. Neno Dimov , Minister of Environment and Water Prof. Radoslav Nakov , ProGEO Bulgaria Prof. Afat Seriani , Coordinator of the ProGEO SE Regional Group Prof. Alexandru Andrassanu , UNESCO mentor of the Geopark Belogradchik Rocks Prof. Dimitar Synnyovsky , Conference Scientific Committee: “Early History of the UNESCO GEOPARK Initiative”
12:00-14:00	Lunch break

SESSIONS: Hotel Skalite Conference Hall

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

**Geodiversity identification, assessment and protection in geopark environment
Presentation and assessment of geosites in geoparks documentation**

*Session Co-Chairs: Assoc. Prof. Alexandru Andrassanu,
Assoc. Prof. Ivan Dimitrov*

14:00-14:15	<p>GEODIVERSITY AND GEOHERITAGE OF THE DJERDAP ASPIRING GEOPARK (SERBIA) <i>Authors: Aleksandra Maran Stevanović, Jelena Čalić, Srdjan Marinčić, Sanja Manojlović, Mališa Mladenović</i> <i>Presenter: Aleksandra Maran Stevanović, Natural History Museum in Belgrade, Serbia</i></p>
14:15-14:30	<p>INTRODUCING THE GEOHERITAGE TOOL-KIT – A GLOBALLY-APPLICABLE COMPARATIVE METHOD TO IDENTIFY AND/OR ASSESS THE SIGNIFICANCE OF GEOLOGICAL FEATURES IN GEOPARKS <i>Authors: Margaret Brocx, Vic Semeniuk</i> <i>Presenter: Margaret Brocx, Murdoch University, Australia</i></p>
14:30-14:45	<p>SELECTION OF GEOHERITAGE SITES IN THE REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA AS MOST SUITABLE CANDIDATES FOR AN UPCOMING GEOPARK <i>Authors: Ivica Milevski, Marjan Temovski, Vasilka Dimitrovska</i> <i>Presenter: Ivica Milevski, University “Ss. Cyril and Methodius”, Republic of Macedonia</i></p>
14:45-15:00	<p>THE ARCHAEOAN TO PROTEROZOIC IGNEOUS ROCKS OF THE PILBARA REGION, WESTERN AUSTRALIA – INTERNATIONALLY SIGNIFICANT GEOLOGY OF A GLOBALLY UNIQUE POTENTIAL GEOPARK <i>Authors: Vic Semeniuk, Margaret Brocx</i> <i>Presenter: Vic Semeniuk, Notre Dame University, Australia</i></p>
15:00-15:15	<p>GEOPARK CREATION POTENTIAL IN KAZBEGI MUNICIPALITY, GEORGIA <i>Authors: Giorgi Chartolani, Mariam Elizbarashvili, Nana Bolashvili</i> <i>Presenter: Giorgi Chartolani, Vakhushti Bagrationi Institute of Geography, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Georgia</i></p>
15:15-15:30	<p>QUANTITATIVE ASSESSMENT OF GEODIVERSITY BY APPLICATION OF GEOINFORMATION METHODOLOGY (ON THE EXAMPLE OF GOLO BARDO MOUNTAIN, WESTERN BULGARIA) <i>Authors: Valentina Nikolova, Elitsa Ilieva</i></p>

	<i>Presenter: Valentina Nikolova, University of Mining and Geology, Bulgaria</i>
15:30-15:45	<p>GEOSITES AND VEGETATION – HOW INSUFFICIENT RECOGNITION OF GEOHERITAGE MAY LEAD TO THE LOSS OF VALUE</p> <p><i>Authors: Piotr Migoń, Edyta Pijet-Migon, Milena Różycka</i> <i>Presenter: Piotr Migoń, Institute of Geography and Regional Development, University of Wrocław, Poland</i></p>
15:45-16:00	<p>THE USE OF THE GEOPARK LABEL AS A RURAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY. THE CASE OF THE GEOPARK OF THE CONCA DE TREMP-MONTSEC (CATALONIA, SPAIN)</p> <p><i>Author: Fabien Van Geert</i> <i>Presenter: Fabien Van Geert, Université Sorbonne Nouvelle-Paris 3, France</i></p>
16:00-16:30	DISCUSSION
16:30-16:45	COFFEE BREAK
POSTER PRESENTATIONS	
<p>Geodiversity identification, assessment and protection in geopark environment Geopark agenda – link between geological heritage and all aspect of natural and cultural heritage: interpretation, education and networking</p> <p><i>Session Chair: Assoc. Prof. Boris Valchev</i></p>	
16:45-17:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TOURISM PROMOTION OF TRADITIONAL RURAL ARCHITECTURE IN ROMANIA: MEHEDIŢI PLATEAU GEOPARK. <i>Authors: Roxana Cuculici, Iuliana Vijulie, Gabriela Manea, Răzvan Oprea</i> <i>Presenter: Roxana Cuculici, University of Bucharest, Romania</i> 2. SUPPORTING LOCAL COMMUNITIES IN GEOSITES THROUGH TOURISM DEVELOPMENT. CASE STUDY: MUD VOLCANOES ("BUZĂU LAND" GEOPARK). <i>Authors: Iuliana Vijulie, Roxana Cuculici, Gabriela Manea, Elena Matei, Mihaela Preda, Octavian Cocoş</i> <i>Presenter: Iuliana Vijulie, University of Bucharest, Romania</i> 3. TOURIST, EDUCATIONAL AND ECONOMIC POTENTIAL OF THE LARGE SPRINGS IN CROSS-BORDER KARST AREAS IN THE WESTERN STARA PLANINA BETWEEN BULGARIA AND SERBIA. <i>Authors: Aleksey Benderev, Zoran Stevanović, Konstantin Kostov, Saša Milanović, Boyka Mihaylova, Igor Jemcov</i> <i>Presenter: Aleksey Benderev, Geological Institute, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Bulgaria</i>

	<p>4. GEOLOGICAL HERITAGE OF THE REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA AS A CHALLENGE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF GEOPARKS. <i>Authors: Ivan Boev, Sonja Lepitkova, Blazo Boev</i> <i>Presenter: Ivan Boev, Goce Delcev University, Faculty of Natural and Technical Sciences, Republic of Macedonia</i></p> <p>5. RETROSPECTIVE CARTOGRAPHY AND SPATIAL ANALYSIS OF 16TH CENTURY SAMTSKHE-JAVAKHETI ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE. <i>Authors: Roman Maisuradze, Tamar Khardziani</i> <i>Presenter: Roman Maisuradze, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Georgia</i></p> <p>6. SEDIMENTOLOGY OF THE ROCK PHENOMENON CHUDNITE SKALI (EASTERN FORE-BALKAN, BULGARIA). <i>Authors: Polina Andreeva, Yavor Stefanov, Hristo Kiselinov</i> <i>Presenter: Polina Andreeva, Geological Institute, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Bulgaria</i></p> <p>7. THE “BELOGRADCHIK ROCKS GEOPARK” (NW BULGARIA) DURING THE JURASSIC. <i>Authors: Ivo Sapunov, Platon Tchoumatchenco, Lubomir Metodiev</i> <i>Presenter: Platon Tchoumatchenco, Geological Institute, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Bulgaria</i></p>
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19:30-22:00	CONFERENCE DINNER – Hotel Skalite
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SATURDAY, 13 OCTOBER 2018

SESSIONS: Hotel Skalite Conference Hall

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Geopark agenda – link between geological heritage and all aspect of natural and cultural heritage: interpretation, education and networking.
Experience in establishing aspiring geoparks. Integrated geopark management
Session Co-Chairs: Prof. Aleksey Benderev, Dr. Aleksandra Maran Stevanović

09:00-09:15	<p>CHANGING LANDSCAPES OF POWER: OPULENCE AND THE URGE FOR GEOPARKS. <i>Author: Wen-Cheng Wang</i> <i>Presenter: Wen-Cheng Wang, Department of Geography, National</i></p>
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	<i>Taiwan Normal University, Taiwan</i>
09:15-09:30	<p>GEOINTERPRETATION AND GEOPRODUCTS IN HATEG COUNTRY UNESCO GLOBAL GEOPARK</p> <p><i>Author: Alexandru Andrasanu</i></p> <p><i>Presenter: Alexandru Andrasanu, University of Bucharest, Hateg Country Global Geopark, Romania</i></p>
09:30-09:45	<p>APPLYING SPATIAL DECISION SUPPORT SYSTEMS IN DESIGNING AND CHOOSING SUITABLE LOCATIONS FOR GEOPARKS</p> <p><i>Authors: Armand Kapaj, Marin Tukaj</i></p> <p><i>Presenter: Armand KAPAJ, Technical University of Munich, Germany</i></p>
09:45-10:00	<p>CHALLENGE OF ESTABLISHING MATSU GEOPARK IN TAIWAN</p> <p><i>Authors: Jiun-Chuan Lin, Shew-Jiuan Su, Wen-Chern Wang, Kuan-Chung Hsu, Yuan-Long Liaw</i></p> <p><i>Presenter: Jiun-Chuan Lin, Department of Geography, National Taiwan University, Taiwan</i></p>
10:00-10:15	<p>TOWARD THE FIRST ASPIRING GEOPARK IN THE REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA: "LESNOVO-KRATOVO"</p> <p><i>Author: Ivica Milevski</i></p> <p><i>Presenter: Ivica Milevski, University "Ss. Cyril and Methodius", Faculty of Sciences, Republic of Macedonia</i></p>
10:15-10:30	<p>INTEGRATED GEOPARK MANAGEMENT IN HATEG COUNTRY GLOBAL GEOPARK</p> <p><i>Author: Alexandru Andrasanu</i></p> <p><i>Presenter: Alexandru Andrasanu, University of Bucharest, Hateg Country Global Geopark, Romania</i></p>
10:30-10:45	<p>UPPER KURVELESHI HIGHLAND AS A PRETENDER FOR THE EUROPEAN GEOPARK NETWORK</p> <p><i>Authors: Afat Serjani, Anila Çollaku</i></p> <p><i>Presenter: Afat Serjani, ProGEO Albania, Abania</i></p>
10:45-11:15	DISCUSSION
11:15-11:30	COFFEE BREAK
POSTER PRESENTATIONS	
<p>Geoparks towards sustainable tourism development</p> <p>Presentation and assessment of geosites in geoparks documentation</p> <p>Moveable geoheritage</p>	

Session Chair: Dr. Dimitar Sachkov

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| 11:30-12:15 | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. GEOTOURISM POTENTIALS OF THE NATIONAL PARK “MALI I TOMORRIT”. <i>Authors: Elvira Bollobani (Dodoveci)I, Rudina Uruçi (Luçka)</i>
<i>Presenter: Elvira Bollobani (Dodoveci), University “Aleksander Xhuvani”, Albania</i>2. GEOTURISTIC POTENCIALES IN THE NATIONAL PARK "BJESHKËT E NEMUNA". <i>Authors: Fadil Bajraktari, Vahdet Pruthi, Merita Dollma, Sami Behrami</i>
<i>Presenter: Merita Dollma, University of Tirana, Albania</i>3. NATIONAL MARINE PARK KARABURUN - SAZAN AND TODAY'S TRENDS FOR TOURISM DEVELOPMENT. <i>Author: Fatlinda Shkurti</i>
<i>Presenter: Fatlinda Shkurti, University of Vlora “Ismail Qemali”, Albania</i>4. GEOMORPHOSITE CHARACTERIZATION METHOD ON THE EXAMPLE OF THE MARITSA CIRQUE IN RILA MOUNTAIN, SW BULGARIA. <i>Authors: Dimitar Sinnyovsky, Dimitar Sachkov, Iliyana Tsvetkova, Nadezhda Atanasova</i>
<i>Presenter: Dimitar Sinnyovsky, University of Mining and Geology, Bulgaria</i>5. FIELD EVALUATION OF BULGARIAN GEOSITES AND GEODIVERSITY SITES IN AREAS APPLYING FOR GLOBAL GEOPARKS. <i>Author: Dimitar Sinnyovsky</i>
<i>Presenter: Dimitar Sinnyovsky, University of Mining and Geology, Bulgaria</i>6. COLLECTION OF CAVE FORMATIONS IN THE “EARTH AND MAN” NATIONAL MUSEUM IN BULGARIA AS AN EXAMPLE OF THE MOVEABLE GEOHERITAGE. <i>Authors: Eugenia Tarassova, Zhivka Janakieva, Mihail Tarassov</i>
<i>Presenter: Eugenia Tarassova, Institute of Mineralogy and Crystallography, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Bulgaria</i>7. PALEONTOLOGICAL COLLECTIONS OF THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM IN BELGRADE – A VALUABLE PART OF THE CULTURAL MOVEABLE HERITAGE OF SERBIA. <i>Authors: Aleksandra Maran Stevanović, Ranko Pejović</i>
<i>Presenter: Ranko Pejović, Natural History Museum in Belgrade, Serbia</i> |
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12:15-13:45	Lunch break
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SESSIONS: Hotel Skalite Conference Hall

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Geoparks towards sustainable tourism development – new approaches and trends.

Geoarchaeology. Landscape analyses and assessment, dynamics and change.

Session Co-Chairs: Prof. Mihail Tarassov, Assoc. Prof. Natalia Kalutskova

13:45-14:00	ALTERNATIVE TOURISM OUT OF MATSU GEOPARK: GEOPARK EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE TOURISM <i>Authors: Shew-Jiuan Su, Jiun-Chuan Lin</i> <i>Presenter: Shew-Jiuan SU, Department of Geography, National Taiwan Normal University, Taiwan</i>
14:00-14:15	GEOTOURISM POTENTIAL OF THETHI NATIONAL PARK <i>Author: Merita Dollma</i> <i>Presenter: Merita Dollma, University of Tirana, Albania</i>
14:15-14:30	GEOTOURISM POTENTIAL OF ZALL GJOÇAJ NATIONAL PARK <i>Authors: Florina Pazari, Merita Dollma</i> <i>Presenter: Florina Pazari, University "Fan S.Noli", Albania</i>
14:30-14:45	GEOTOURISTIC POTENTIAL OF THE REGIONAL NATURAL PARK SHKREL – ALBANIA <i>Author: Dritan Rustja</i> <i>Presenter: Dritan Rustja, University of Shkoder "Luigj Gurakuqi", Albania</i>
14:45-15:00	EUPALINOS TUNNEL OF SAMOS ISLAND (GREECE): AN INTERESTING GEOARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE <i>Author: Konstantinos Voudouris</i> <i>Presenter: Konstantinos Voudouris, School of Geology, Aristotle University, Greece</i>
15:00-15:15	LANDSCAPE STUDIES IN THE BELOGRADCHIK ROCKS FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES <i>Authors: Natalia Kalutskova, Nikolay Dronin</i> <i>Presenter: Nikolay Dronin, Moscow State University "M. V. Lomonosov", Russian Federation</i>
15:15-15:45	DISCUSSION
15:45-16:15	CONCLUSIONS and coffee
16:15-17:45	Visit the Romantic Valley, Belogradchik

CONFERENCE FIELD TRIPS

<i>11 October</i> <i>09:00-16:00</i>	PRE-CONFERENCE FIELD TRIP: Belogradchik - Kozarnika Cave - Magura Cave – Vidin – Kladorub - Belogradchik
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<i>14 October</i> <i>09:00-16:00</i>	POST-CONFERENCE FIELD TRIP: Fortress “Kaletó” – Borovitsa – Dolni Lom - Gorni Lom – Falcon Bridge (Lunch in Hotel Madonna) – Venetsa Cave – Belogradchik
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