



2nd Circular IOC 2019

Event

The International Obsidian Conference 2019 is a direct continuation of the 2016 Lipari Meeting (<http://rtykot.myweb.usf.edu/Obsidian%202016/index.html>). It is planning to deal with all aspects of obsidian studies, from geology to anthropology and instrumental analyses.

The planned sessions of the Conference are:

- Formation and geology of obsidian
- Obsidian sources and their characterisation
- Analytical / methodological aspects of obsidian studies
- Archaeological obsidian by chronological periods
- Lithic technology and use wear
- Obsidian hydration dating
- Dating of geological obsidian
- Exploring the allure of obsidian: symbolic, social, and practical values for obsidian
- Super-long distance movement of obsidian in prehistory: why, how, and what for?

You will find all necessary information on our conference and registration webpage:

<http://ioc-2019.ace.hu>

We would ask you to check the webpage from time to time for any updated information.

Venue

The Conference has two venues, i.e. the main building of the

Hungarian National Museum in Budapest, Hungary
and the **Rákóczi Museum** at Sárospatak

This means that the Conference will have a tight schedule. We will try to make all we can to facilitate your participation by organising Conference buses and help in booking accommodation in Sárospatak.

Registration

Registration will be implemented via the Conference web page (<http://ioc-2019.ace.hu/>) starting from May 2018.

Deadline for registration: 1 April 2019

Registration fee:

full registration fee 100 EUR

distance participants 50 EUR

early bird registration (until 15 January 2019) 80 EUR

students and accompanying persons 50 EUR

early bird registration (until 15 January 2019) 40 EUR

‘Early bird registration’ is accepted with payment prior to 15 January: this option is not available for distance participants.

Payment

Payment will be realised via bank transfer.

Registration and other conference related costs should be transferred to the account of the Hungarian National Museum (1088 Budapest, Múzeum krt. 14-16.) curated at the Hungarian State Treasury (Magyar Államkincstár):

account number: 10004885-10002010-01016431

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preferentially at the same time as the registration but not later than 30 April 2019.

Communications

The official language of the conference is English.

Only one lecture for each (registered) participant can be accepted. Posters are expected without limit. Please indicate their number precisely on the Registration Form.

As the conference time is limited, organisers may have to limit the number of oral presentations.

Abstract submission:

For abstract submission please use our webpage (see Registration). Please prepare 3 – 5 keywords. The abstract should not be longer than 300 words. The abstract can only be accepted when at least one of the authors is registered. Please contact us if you encounter any problem. The deadline for abstract submission is **1 April 2019**.

Proceedings: We are planning to publish the Proceedings of the Conference hopefully in one volume. Decision on the means and place will be made later on. Please check our webpage for details

Program: We aim to create the program as fast as possible. The program will be published on the webpage and can be downloaded there.

The length of oral presentations is expected to be 20 minutes including discussion. Please prepare them in a common presentation format (ppt, pps).
Internet video conference possibility will be provided for registered participants but we definitely prefer your personal presence!

The poster sections will be held on the corridors of the Sárospatak Museum.
The posters should be planned as standing (portrait) orientation and their size must not exceed A0 (841 x 1189 mm).
You can send lectures / posters in advance if you like, for checking technically on our devices or printing: please specify your needs on the Registration form.

Excursions

On the second and third day excursions to Hungarian (Mád and Tolcsva) and Slovakian (Brehov and Viničky) obsidian sources will be organised as part of the Conference.
A post-conference tour to the so-called Carpathian 3 sources (around Rokosovo, Ukraine) is anticipated depending on possibilities at extra costs.

Please keep in your mind that for citizens of a number of countries visa is required to Ukraine.

Remember that you have to cross the EU (Schengen) border twice, that means multiple visa.

Please visit the Consular Service website of your respective countries for more information.

Satellite events

27 May 2019

In the Hungarian National Museum we are planning to open a temporary exhibition on obsidian entitled „**Beyond the Glass Mountains**” on various aspects of obsidian studies. The exhibition is designed in a way to suit the purposes of an itinerant exhibition we are planning to circulate in the neighbouring countries.

28 May 2019

In the Rákóczi Museum of the HNM we are planning a chamber exhibition on obsidian from the material of local collections of geological and archaeological obsidians under the title „**Our glass, our past**”.

We are also planning to install conference posters on an open exhibition space where they will be temporarily available for the general public.

Social events

26 May 2019

The Conference will start with an Ice-Breaking Party at the Mineralogy Department of the Eötvös University, 1/C Pázmány Péter sétány Budapest, H-1117.

The Exhibition Hall of the Department is hosting the oldest mineralogical collection of Hungary, transported piece by piece to a modern building.

A small Archaeometry exhibition, used in teaching students of geosciences, is also part of the exhibition.

29 May 2019

Conference Dinner will be organised at Sárospatak, Vár Restaurant after the excursion to the Slovakian sources.

Accommodation

Budapest is a large city with all kinds of accommodation available. We kindly ask You to make your own arrangements, in time and on time. Please check the Conference events and venues and plan your travel and accommodation accordingly.

Sárospatak is a charming small town in the northeastern part of the country. The organisers will book hotel and hostel accommodation between 27 to 30 May to secure availability for conference and participants, therefore the booking of hotels and payment for Sárospatak will be arranged via the Hungarian National Museum (see Registration Form). We give the price for rooms, you may team for double rooms in Hotel Bodrog or houses in the Motel.

Transport

We are planning to provide free transport for registered conference participants by bus between the venues from Budapest to Sárospatak and back to facilitate travelling. The same bus(es) will be used for the conference excursions. Nevertheless, you may prefer to use your own solutions (please mark your choice on the Registration Form).

The standard conference bus transport will be implemented on the 27th May (after conference day in HNM) and back on the 30th May. The buses will reach Budapest early afternoon, for those who select the Miskolc visit, in the evening only. The excursion to the Ukrainian source (30 May 2019) has a special fee, transport back to Budapest is included (arrival late in the evening). Please calculate with this when you are planning your travel and accommodation: when in doubt, please feel free to contact us.

Parking

Parking in Budapest is difficult and expensive. You may inquire at the selected hotel for parking facilities.

For those of you arriving by car and taking advantage of the free conference transfer (Budapest-Sárospatak) we suggest to use the parking facilities of the Hungarian National Museum on a fee for the museum staff (250 HUF/day, around 1 US\$ and a little less than 1 Euro). If you need this service, please fill out the Registration Form accordingly.

Weather

The weather in the end of May is typically nice and warm, with an average daily temperature of 15-17°C and 14 rainy days. Be prepared for rain and muddy soil, anyways.

Local Organising Committee

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Please forward this circular to anybody who might be interested.

Looking forward to see you in 2019!

Registration is expected to be online

should you meet difficulties contact the organisers by email personally:

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