



Emil Racoviță Institute of Speleology
Romanian Academy, Division of Biological Sciences



Karst Science Days Symposium
November 15th, 2024
Bucharest, Romania

As we will celebrate the 156th anniversary of the birth of Emil Racoviță, the founder of the first Institute of Speleology in the world, we are inviting you to the second edition of the **Karst Science Days Symposium** on **November 15th, 2024** in **Bucharest, Romania**.

The Symposium is designed to showcase the scientific contributions of outstanding undergraduate and postgraduate students in the fields of biology and geology of karst landscapes. The Karst Science Days Symposium provides students with the opportunity to share their current research, to discuss and exchange ideas, to debate theoretical and practical topics related to their scientific work.

With the participation of several keynote and invited speakers, the event will help train students for the next steps in their careers, and will contribute to the education of the future generation of karst researchers.

Program

The event will include **15-minute oral presentations** and 30 minute keynote lectures. The event will have a **hybrid status** and online presentations are welcome, especially from international participants. While poster presentations are not considered at

this moment, they might be included in the final program depending on the number of participants and will be accepted only for in presence participants.

Submission of abstracts

The deadline for submitting abstracts/extended abstracts will be **October 15th, 2024**. When registering, please provide the details of the presenting author and indicate whether you are submitting an abstract for an oral or for a potential poster presentation. Authors will be notified of acceptance within 7 days of the submission deadline.

Abstracts/extended abstracts (between 1000 and 3000 words) will be written in English (see Guide for authors) and published in a volume with an ISSN code and online with a DOI identifier.

Registration for the symposium can be done on the website ksd.iser.ro, via completing the registration form and submitting the abstracts/extended abstracts until **October 15th, 2024**.

Attendance

The event is **FREE** for both the presenters and the public. The public will have to register at ksd.iser.ro, where they need to specify if attendance is in person or online, in order to receive the online meeting details.

Venue

KSD2024 will be held at Casa Academiei, Calea 13 Septembrie, Bucharest.

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Guide for authors

The communications presented at the symposium are published in the form of Abstracts/Extended Abstracts in the series of volumes „**Karst Science Days Symposium Proceedings**” (ISSN 2972-1261, ISSN-L 2972-1261), after being reviewed by the Scientific Committee. For the drafting of the papers, the authors are asked to observe the following indications.

The Abstract/Extended Abstract will be written in English and may contain figures in the text and possibly tables. It will be structured as follows:

1. The title of the communication, which must be clear, concise and suggestive. Abbreviations in the title are not accepted.

2. Names of authors and affiliation, as in the following example:

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The name of the author presenting the paper will be underlined and their e-mail address will be specified.

3. Body of the Abstract/Extended Abstract, of minimum 1000 words and maximum 3000 words, structured in sections if it is the case.

4. Acknowledgments.

5. References. The bibliographic references must be cited in the text with line characters, without highlights, in the following way:

a) if the author's name is part of the phrase

- work with one author: Orghidan (1965);
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b) when the author's name is not part of the phrase, the bibliographic citation is included in brackets, for example (Orghidan, 1965; Orghidan *et al.*, 1980).

The references in the bibliographic list will be written entirely in line characters, not highlighted with **bold**, *italic*, CAPS, etc., as in the following examples:

a) reference to a journal publication:

Gillan, D. C., Dubilier, N., 2004. Novel epibiotic *Thiothrix* bacterium on a marine amphipod. *Appl. Environ. Microbiol.* 70 (6), 3772–3775.

<https://doi.org/10.1128/AEM.70.6.3772-3775.2004>

b) reference to a book:

Strunk Jr., W., White, E.B., 2000. *The Elements of Style*, fourth ed. Longman, New York.

c) reference to a chapter in an edited book:

Mettam, G.R., Adams, L.B., 2009. How to prepare an electronic version of your article, *in*: Jones, B.S., Smith, R.Z. (Eds.), Introduction to the Electronic Age. E-Publishing Inc., New York, pp. 281– 304.

d) reference to a website:

Cancer Research UK, 2005. Cancer statistics reports for the UK.
<http://www.cancerresearchuk.org/aboutcancer/statistics/cancerstatsreport/>
(accessed 13 March 2022).

Please include DOIs or web addresses in references if they exist.

Electronic Artwork

The paper will be written with Microsoft Word, doc/docx files, with Times New Roman characters, size 12 for the body of the text, including bibliography and 10 for the figures and tables captions. Please submit equations as editable text and not as images. Number consecutively any equations that have to be displayed separately from the text (if referred to explicitly in the text).

Graphic figures or photographs are accepted in black/white or color. These will not be included in the body of the paper, but will be sent as separate JPG files without compression or TIFF files, with all CMYK elements and a resolution of 300 dpi. RGB format or pixelated images with a lower resolution and artificially converted to 300 dpi are not accepted. Figure captions are included in a separate file list.

Please submit tables as editable text produced in Word processing software and not as images. Tables are not accepted in spreadsheet format, e.g. Excel. Tables can be placed either next to the relevant text in the work, or on separate page(s) at the end. Number tables consecutively in accordance with their appearance in the text. Tables must have a caption and must be cited in the text.