

Prague 2012 The 5th Conference

Trilobites and their relatives

Prague, Czech Republic, and Sardinia, Italy

1st July – 4th July 2012

Second Circular

The Organising Committee warmly invites all specialists on trilobites and their relatives, including diverse groups of Arthropods to attend the **5th Conference on Trilobites and their relatives**, to be held in Prague, Czech Republic, and Sardinia, Italy.

It is our pleasure to invite you to the registration, which will be available at the: <u>http://www.trilo2012.org/</u> starting February 15th.

Three days of presentations will be held in lecture rooms of the Geoscience Building of the Faculty of Science of Charles University in Prague. Field trips are scheduled for the preconference four days and the following 5 days post-conference excursions to Sardinia and/or 4 days to Moravia (eastern part of the Czech Republic).

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Objectives:

The goals of the conference is to present and discuss recent progress in studies on all aspects of trilobites and their relatives (e.g. morphology, evolution, phylogeny, ecology, geography) in the fossil record, namely in the Palaeozoic and to examine major trilobiteand other arthropod-bearing outcrops of the Czech Republic and the island of Sardinia (Italy). Workshops on any aspect of trilobites and arthropods are welcome.

Publications and presentations:

Abstracts. A one page abstract for each participant will be printed (layout of abstract is attached to this circular and is also at disposal online). Abstracts will be subjected to scientific and formal evaluation. The organizing committee will decide about acceptability and form of presentation.

Presentations at the meeting may be either in the form or an oral presentation (15 minutes plus 5 minutes for questions), or a poster.

One oral presentation and one poster presentation is possible for each participant as the first author.

Contributions presented at the meeting could be published in a special conference volume of the peer-reviewed journal with free access *Bulletin of Geosciences* (2011, IF 1.202; <u>http://www.geology.cz/bulletin/</u>). All participants are invited to submit manuscript for this special volume.

!!! Accommodation in Prague is not included in the registration fee **!!!**

Programme:

30 th June	Registration and Icebreaker-party
1 st July	Opening ceremony, invited oral presentations, Session 1
2 nd July	Session 2, Historical Prague, guided steam-boat tour at the Vltava river
3 nd July	Session 3, Session 4
4 th July	Session 5, Session 6, closing ceremony, conference dinner

Excursions

26 th -29 th June	Pre-Conference Field Excursions to Barrandian area
5 th July – 9 th July	Post-Conference Field Excursion in Sardinia
5 th July – 9 th July	Post-Conference Field Excursion in Moravia

Detailed information on excursions see <u>http://www.trilo2012.org/</u>

Accommodations during the pre-conference excursion and during the conference in Prague are to be paid by participants separately.

Accommodation during the post-conference excursion to Moravia is included in the excursion fee.

Information about transportation to Sardinia see http://www.trilo2012.org/trips/postconf/sardinia/

Registration and fee:

An early bird registration fee of 250 EURO includes costs of the conference, abstract volume, public transportation in Prague, and all lunches and three dinners during the excursions.

Professionals, full meeting:250 EUROStudents, full meeting:150 EUROAccompanying persons:120 EURO

In the case of the payment after May 15th, 2012 the rate for the full meeting will increase by 50 EURO.

For each of pre-conference and both post-conference field excursions, the fee is 300 EURO.

Accommodation in Prague is not included in the registration fee, and must be arranged separately by each participant.

Payment:

Payment will be possible since February 15th, 2012 and must arrive by May 15th, 2012 by **international bank transfer**. After which the rate for the full meeting will increase by 50 EURO.

Cheques and credit card payments are not accepted.

Participants must cover transfer costs.

The data for bank transfer will be provided at web-page together with registration.

Venue:

Lecture rooms at Faculty of Science of Charles University, Albertov 6, Praha 2, Czech Republic.

Dining:

Three neighbouring small cafeterias offer small menu for about 4 EUR or 5 USD equivalent. There are also various restaurants within walking distance of the Faculty having lunch menus for almost the same price.

Transportation:

Prague Airport offers direct flights from more than 100 destinations in 50 countries. Transfer from the airport is possible by taxi, shuttle minivans, or buses. Visitors can take advantage of a dense network of public transport based on trams and underground (metro).

Third circular:

The third circular with detailed program will be distributed in May 2012. Please check the conference web pages, the information are supplemented on the fly.