

FIRST CIRCULAR

The Faculty of Geology, Geophysics and Environmental Protection AGH University of Science and Technology is pleased to announce:

THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON GEOTOURISM, MINING TOURISM, SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The international conference GEOTOUR is an annual meeting dedicated to presentation and discussion of all aspects of geotourism, nature protection and interdisciplinary studies conducted by both academic and industrial participants. This year it will be organized 12 time. The conference is open for everyone interested in fields of tourism, especially geotourism, Earth Sciences and tradition of human culture. Following the GEOTOUR meetings tradition, it will be specifically open to young researchers and students. The aim of the conference is to share and expand the theoretical knowledge and practical experiences within all fields of science and research related to conference topics. GEOTOUR 2017 will be held from 27th- 30th September 2017 in Kraków (Poland). Plenary and thematic sessions will be accompanied by visit in salt mine and city tour. Two field trips showing most significant geotouristic attractive areas in vicinity of Kraków will be organized.

OUR MEETING IS OPEN FOR THE FOLLOWING ISSUES:

- geoheritage, mining heritage, natural heritage
- geotourism and tourism in geoparks
- common goods and resources maintenance
- destination management and public choices
- ecotourism, rural tourism, sustainable tourism
- information technologies in tourism
- natural resources, environmental protection and tourism
- tourism geography
- tourism products, development and management.

CONFERENCE VENUE

The GEOTOUR 2017 CONFERENCE will be held at AGH University of Science and Technology (address: Poland, Kraków, al. Mickiewicza 30, A-0 building) located in the city center, nearby the Old Town.

Kraków (Cracow) is located in the south of Poland in Małopolska province. Is one of the oldest cities and the second largest city of Poland. It is important historical, economic and educational European center. Kraków has long historical tradition connected with tourism. It is a tourist and business destination.

Easy direct access to Kraków is possible by plane (Kraków International Airport - John Paul II Kraków Balice Airport, KRK located 11 km from the city center, http://www.krakowairport.pl/en/) or by bus and train. Railway station (http://www.krakow-info.com/Krakow-station.htm, https://www.trainline.eu/station/krakow-glowny, http://www.local-life.com/krakow/articles/krakow-train-station) and the MDA Bus Station in Kraków (http://www.mda.malopolska.pl/en.dworzec_mda_w_krakowie.html) are conveniently located in the very center of the city. Traveling by car you can get to Kraków using the A4 motorway. Public transport is well-developed in the city area (http://krakow.jakdojade.pl/?locale=en).

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

The GEOTOUR 2017 CONFERENCE will consists of two days of plenary and thematic sessions and two one-day field trips.

OUTLINE OF HARMONOGRAM

- September 28th 2017 registration, opening ceremony, plenary lectures, poster presentations, Bochnia Salt Mine trip and conference dinner
- September 29th 2017 oral presentations in thematic panels, poster presentations, closing ceremony, Cracow city tour.

FIELD TRIPS*

<u>September 27th 2017 – pre-conference field trip</u> KRAKOW-CZĘSTOCHOWA UPLAND

The **Kraków-Częstochowa Upland** is the picturesque hilly region with many exposures of Jurassic limestones deposited in epicontinenatal sea. The majestic rocky forms, rocky valleys with cliffs and karst caves are here characteristic. This area is known from the medieval castles situated on the rocky tops.

September 30th 2017 – post-conference field trip PIENINY MTS. WITH DUNAJEC GORGE RAFTING

Pieniny Mts are considered particularly valuable geotourist Polish area with a long geological history and complicated architecture. They are a part the Pieniny Klippen Belt of the Carpathians Chain. They are mainly built of limestones and create impressive landscape, particularly surrounding the deep Dunajec valley.

^{*} Filed trips will be organized for minimum 20 people

English will be official language of GEOTOUR 2017 CONFERENCE. Participants are invited to present their contributions as oral or poster presentations. The number of presentations is not limited. The organizers reserve the right to decide about final form of presentation.

All speakers will be allowed 15 minutes for the presentation and 5 minutes of discussion. Data projector and notebook will be available in the lecture room. A0 is the size format for posters, poster exhibition will be placed nearby the lecture room.

PAYMENTS

GEOTOUR 2017 CONFERENCE FEE

	until April 31st 2017	after May 1 st 2017
professionals	180€	220€
students and retirees	120€	150€
accompanying person	100€	100€

Conference fee includes: organization costs, abstracts book, conference dinner, coffee breaks, trips: Bochnia Salt Mine and Cracow city tour.

GEOTOUR 2017 FIELD TRIPS

		until April 31 st 2017	after May 1 st 2017
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KRAKOW- CZĘSTOCHOWA UPLAND	students and retirees	50€	70€
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PIENINY MTS (WITH DUNAJE GORGErafting)	professionals	100€	120€
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Field trip fee includes: organization costs, transportations, lunch boxes, dinner, guides.

Conference and field trips fee please sent by bank transfer to the account:

Micropress Europe al. Mickiewicza 30 30-059 Kraków, Poland Raiffeisen Bank Polska BIC: RCBWPLPW

IBAN: PL 91 1750 0012 0000 0000 2841 0832

with the annotation: GEOTOUR 2017 + participant name.

Simultaneously with payment, please submit your data for invoice by e-mail to: geotour.conference@agh.edu.pl or kbebenek@agh.edu.pl.

For Polish participants is possible to pay in PLN (for bank details please contact with our

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CONFERENCE MATERIALS

The abstracts will be published as GEOTOUR 2017 CONFERENCE volume. It will be distributed by conference desk.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ABSTRACTS AUTHORS

Please prepare the abstract as a MS Word file in .doc or .rtf text format, Times New Roman, 12 point font, 1,5 line spacing, with 2.5 cm left margin and 2 cm right margin). Ready abstracts (with figures) should be no bigger than one A4 page. Example for GEOTOUR 2017 abstract is attached, please use this format. Submit your texts by e-mail to Katarzyna Bębenek (kbebenek@agh.edu.pl) until **May 31**th **2017**. Abstracts received after deadline will be not accepted. The authors take full responsibility for the abstract content, texts will not be re-edited.

We also encourage meeting participants to send scientific contributions which will appear as a separate volume of the GEOTOURISM magazine and ACTA GEOTURISTICA journal. Manuscripts should be prepared according to the instructions to authors (https://journals.agh.edu.pl/geotour/about/submissions#authorGuidelines; http://geoturtuke.sk/instructions.html).

REGISTRATION

Please, fill in the registration form (in attachment) and sent to geotour.conference@agh.edu.pl or kbebenek@agh.edu.pl.

IMPORTANT DATES

March 31 ^s 2017	Early conference registration, field trips registration
April 31st 2017	Early payment of conference fee and field trips
May 15 th 2017	Second circular
May 31 st 2017	Abstract submission
July 31 ^s 2017	Payment and registration deadline

ACCOMODATION AND BOARD

To be booked by the participants.

Further information will be available from February 15th 2017 on conference website www. geotour.conference.agh.edu.pl

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