



Dear colleagues,

The 17th European Carabidologists Meeting starts in a week. The **final programme of the 17th ECM** with oral and poster presentations have been added to the web site of the meeting and in the book of abstracts. Please, find below some information regarding the conference that you may find useful.

We wish you a pleasant and safe trip and look forward to seeing you in Primošten!

Sincerely,

Lucija Šerić Jelaska,

on behalf of the conference organising committee

VENUE

The meeting will be held in the Zora***/* hotel in town Primošten (<http://www.hotelzora-adriatic.com/en/hotel-zora>) in „Kravata“ hotel conference room (<http://www.hotelzora-adriatic.com/en/congresses>). The hotel is located 500 m from the centre of Primošten and 50 m away from the sea.

As a conference participant you have **free admission** to the **hotel swimming pool** with sea water, **gym** and **sauna** facilities.

If you chose outer accommodation, you can still arrange meals in the hotel Zora at following prices: breakfast - 60 HRK; lunch - 100 HRK; dinner - 150 HRK, with the reservation made at least one day prior to the meal. Other option is to have lunch in the restaurants placed downtown. We will provide the lunch packages for the participants during the conference excursion on Wednesday.



- Between meeting venue and the old town is 5-10 minutes walk.
- Conference Hall can be reached from the main entrance, or using corridors that are connecting all buildings

1. Conference Hall and registration desk
2. Hotel Reception desk
3. Swimming pool
4. Swimming sea



SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

Your talks have been arranged in eight sessions, and will be presented as indicated in the programme of the meeting, from Monday to Friday. Posters will be exhibited in the conference room during all five days of the meeting. Please ensure that your posters are displayed on the board as indicated in the programme. Posters have been sorted in alphabetical order of presenting authors.

PRESENTATIONS

Oral presentations are scheduled for a total of 20 minutes of which **15 minutes are allocated for the presentation and 5 minutes for questions**. To ensure the smooth running of the oral sessions, presentations should be either emailed ahead of time, or uploaded at the conference venue at least 15 minutes before the beginning of the session. Power Point (.ppt, .pptx) or Acrobat (.pdf) file formats should be used for presentation. The Organiser will provide free Wi-Fi Internet access from the conference room for all participants during the meeting, therefore you can even access your presentations from the web. Anyway, in the case of eventual problems with the connection, we recommend having your presentation on a USB flash drive as a backup. Authors are kindly asked to keep their presentations within a given time limit.

All **posters** will be displayed in the Kravata Conference Room for the whole duration of the meeting. Posters should be a maximum size of **A0 (841 x 1189 mm; 33.1 x 46.8 in)** and

should be prepared in **portrait format** (shorter edge horizontal) – authors are kindly asked not to exceed the poster size.

Presenters are asked to attend their posters during the poster sessions in time indicated in the final Program of the Meeting. Posters must be removed on Friday before 17:00. We can't guarantee for the Posters left on boards after the meeting.

We will provide poster boards and the means to attach posters to the boards. Please ensure that your poster is displayed on the board as indicated in the programme (*note that numbers may have changed since the draft programme appeared online*).

Language: English

Best student oral presentation and best student poster presentations will be awarded for the overall impact, originality, and quality of their work. The 17th ECM committee that consists of organising committee chairs of the previous, current and upcoming ECMs will select the best presentations during the 5 days of the conference. Student with the best oral presentation will be exempt from the registration fee of the 18th ECM.

Workshop on Scientific Communication and Publishing

The object of the workshop is to develop the skills necessary for generating high quality scientific manuscripts for publication in international journals. The course has been organised by the **University of Zagreb** and the organisation team of the 17th ECM, with support from the **EU Erasmus + programme**. The teachers of the course are **Dr. Stephen Venn** (Espoo Association for Nature Conservation, Finland) and **Prof. Dr. Gabor Lövei** (Aarhus University, Denmark).

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Welcome cocktail – Monday 21, 2015

You are invited for an informal welcome drink at the terrace of Hotel Zora conference centre from 20:30-22:30. 17th ECM chocolate cake and traditional drinks will be available. Hope you will enjoy traditional Dalmatian *a cappella* singing of PRASKA choir and the beautiful views of sea and „*škoti*“, small Adriatic islands such as Smokvica, Maslinovik, etc..

Mid-meeting excursion – Wednesday 23, 2015 (from 8:30 till 20:30)

We will visit Skradinski buk unique waterfalls, Visovac Island with the Franciscan monastery of Our Lady of Mercy dated from 1445, Burnum archaeological collection and archaeological museum in Puljani, within the Krka National Park. Mid-meeting excursion is included in the conference fee, providing National Park entrance fee, bus and boat transportations, lunch box as well as a traditional PEKA for dinner in Etnoland Dalmati with live music.

Conference dinner – Thursday 24, 2015 (from 8pm till 11pm)

The conference dinner will be organized in the hotel Piano Bar, with meal, glass of wine and one additional drink included in the fee. We will have live music performed by duo Dale. Participants willing to play their instruments and perform some music or to perform *a*

cappella singing of traditional songs from their countries are more than welcome to step on stage and take the microphone.

PAYMENT ON SITE

Please, check the new rates of the conference fees on our web site. For payment on site, we may accept **only Croatian Currency (HRK)**, so please have in mind to exchange your currency to HRK prior to registration at the conference desk.

The current exchange rate between the Kuna and various world currencies can be found at the Croatian National Bank website. You can convert your currency to Kuna at every bank exposition, post offices, at the hotel or local exchange offices. Nevertheless, for some currency there might be difficulties in accepting it at exchange offices. However, major cards are accepted for payment, and can be used to redraw money in local currency at the ATM machines. Please do mind possible differences in the exchange rate that may occur between different money exchange service providers.

Visa Information

Croatia is an EU-country and entry visas are not required for EU-citizens and the most of European countries. Visa is also not required for Australia, Brazil, Canada, USA, etc. All citizens of the countries for which entry visas are requested according to Visa Regulations of the Republic of Croatia must, as a rule, obtain the visas abroad prior to the entry into the Republic of Croatia. The Conference Organizers will provide Invitation Letter to facilitate Visa issuing on request.

Certificate of attendance

“Certificates of attendance” will be provided at the registration.

Confirmation of payment

A confirmation of payment will be e-mailed upon paying the fees. If requested it will be handed to each participant in hard copy at the reception desk.

Conference badges

All registered participants will receive a name-badge upon registration. Please wear the badge during both scientific and social events.

Insurance and Liability

Participants are recommended to seek insurance coverage for health and accident, lost luggage and trip cancellation. The Organisers are not liable for any loses, injuries or other damages.

HOW TO GET IN PRIMOŠTEN

For more details see <http://www.hotelzora-adriatic.com/en/get-primosten>.

- The most convenient option to reach Primošten is to flying to Split Airport (SPU), 44 km away from Primošten. Hotel Zora shuttle service is available. Car rental facilities are also available at the airport. Other options for travel are flying into Zadar Airport (ZAD), 93 km away or flying to Zagreb and then reach the Primošten by plane, bus or car.
- **TRANSFER FROM/TO THE AIRPORT TO/FROM THE HOTEL**
The hotel Zora will organise the transfer from/to the Split and Zadar Airports!
If you are interested, for the transfer, please e mail: ivana.toric@adriatic.com. The hotel will make the list of the participants, to fill the vans according to the arrivals and departures in order to reduce the price of transfer. As for the departure, the schedule will be displayed at the information board in the hotel lobby or conference centre or will be available at the hotel reception desk. The prices for one way transfer:
SPLIT AIRPORT – HOTEL ZORA: 60,00 EUR for one-way transfer*
ZADAR AIRPORT – HOTEL ZORA: 130,00 EUR for one-way transfer*
* Depending of the number of persons per transfer, price per person / transfer can vary from 60,00 EUR (with only one passenger in the van) to 16,00 EUR (with 8 passengers in the van) from airport Split and 130,00 (for just one person) to 34,00 EUR per person / transfer from airport Zadar. Final price of transfer will be sent by sales department after finalizing transfer list.
- **PUBLIC TRANSPORT FROM SPLIT AIRPORT TO PRIMOŠTEN**
Split Airport is located at the very exit from the town of Kastela, towards Trogir. It is at 20 km distance from Split, and at 6 km from Trogir.
Close to Split Airport there is a bus stop of line **No. 37** “PROMET” company (Split – Trogir; Trogir – Split) heading to Trogir (last stop is Trogir Bus Terminal; cca 20 min driving).
Price: cca 20-25 HRK for 1 person + 5 HRK for luggage
Information: www.promet-split.hr
Departures from Trogir Bus Terminal to Primošten are every 30 to 60 minutes from Peron 9. Prices: cca 25 – 30 HRK + luggage (depending on the bus company).
If you are coming by plane at the Zagreb airport, the easiest way to get to Primošten is to take the shuttle transfer from the Zagreb airport to the bus station in the city centre and then use the intercity bus to Primošten, or the shuttle from the Zagreb Airport to the Split Airport. You can find the schedule of the airport shuttle at <http://www.plesoprijevoz.hr/schedulezg.htm>, and you can check the bus lines from Zagreb Bus Station towards Primošten at <http://www.akz.hr>.
- **TRANSPORT BY CAR**
If you are coming by car:
 - from Zagreb the easiest way to get to Zora Hotel is to take the highway (A1) and take the exit Šibenik. Then drive on the road E 65 for 30 km to Primošten.
 - From Split (60 km): E 65 direction Zadar/Šibenik to Primošten.

For those who plan to **travel by car**, the traffic flow, road conditions and border crossing can be checked at HAC – Croatian Traffic Info, <http://www.hak.hr/en>.

Bus timetable Split-Trogir and Trogir-Split (line 37 *PROMET bus*)*

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| 08: | 10, 30, 50 | 00, 30, 50 | 00, 30 | 08: | 00, 20, 40 | 00, 30 | 15, 45 |
| 09: | 10, 30, 50 | 10, 30, 50 | 00, 30 | 09: | 00, 20, 40 | 00, 30 | 15, 45 |
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| 18: | 10, 30, 50 | 00, 30 | 00, 30 | 18: | 00, 20, 40 | 15, 45 | 15, 45 |
| 19: | 10, 30, 50 | 00, 30 | 00, 30 | 19: | 00, 20, 40 | 15, 45 | 15, 45 |
| 20: | 10, 30 | 00, 30 | 00, 30 | 20: | 00, 20, 40 | 15, 45 | 15, 45 |
| 21: | 00, 30 | 00, 30 | 00, 30 | 21: | 00, 20, 40 | 15, 45 | 15, 45 |
| 22: | 05, 30 | 05, 30 | 05, 30 | 22: | 00, 30 | 15, 45 | 15, 45 |
| 23: | 30 | 30 | 30 | 23: | 05, 45 | 15, 45 | 15, 45 |
| 24: | 15 | 15 | 15 | | | | |

Bus timetable Trogir-Primošten*

| Departure From Trogir | Arrival To Primošten | Transporter |
|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 12:35 | 13:10 | Autobusni Promet Varaždin |
| 15:00 | 15:35 | Puntamika Line Zadar |
| 18:00 | 18:35 | Autotransport Šibenik |
| 20:30 | 21:05 | Autotransport Šibenik |

Bus timetable Primošten-Trogir*

| Departure From Primošten | Arrival To Trogir | Transporter |
|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 09:00 | 09:30 | Contus Zadar |
| 09:35 | 10:10 | Autotransport Šibenik |
| 09:55 | 10:30 | Puntamika Line Zadar |
| 14:50 | 15:20 | Autobusni Promet Varaždin |
| 17:00 | 17:30 | Contus Zadar |
| 18:50 | 19:25 | Autobusni Promet Varaždin |

* Schedule is subject to change and should be checked at the reception desk

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