



FIRST CIRCULAR

14. INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM
ON PSEUDOKARST

SUDETES, SOUTHWESTERN POLAND

Karłów, 24-27th May 2023

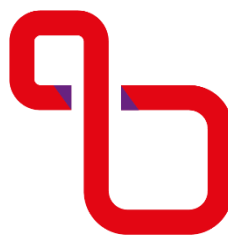




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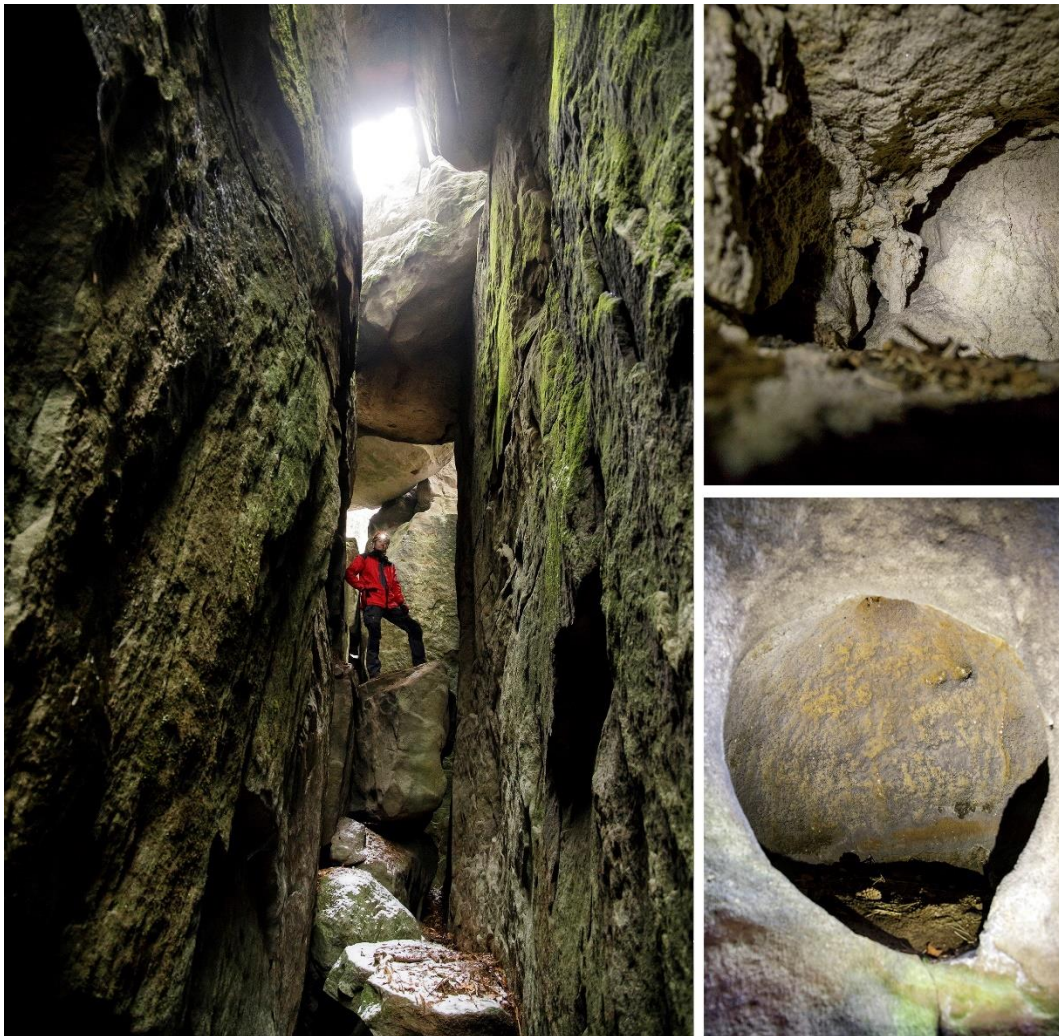


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SYMPOSIUM TOPIC

Pseudokarst caves in present-day exploration and scientific research

Pseudokarst (non-karst) caves represent a great number of caves discovered, explored and studied currently and in the past. However, they are still undervalued in publications, presentations and media reports dedicated to cave exploration and research. Even in the International Year of Caves and Karst recently celebrated, “karst” was clearly called in its name, but we know that many caves are not karstic, only partly karstic, or their genesis is much more complex. Our contribution to the celebration of this Year was the 30th issue of the Pseudokarst Commission Newsletter (<http://www.pseudokarst.com/> : Newsletter) that presented numerous examples of such caves occurring all over the world. How will non-karst caves be “perceived” after this Year? This problem and other similar topics will be subjects of discussion during the 14. International Symposium of Pseudokarst in the Sudetes, Poland.



SYMPOSIUM ORGANISERS

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SYMPOSIUM PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

The 14th International Symposium on Pseudokarst will be held in hybrid form: in the Centre of Training and Education of the Stołowe Mountains National Park in Karłów, in the Stołowe Mountains, Sudetes, for “in situ” participants, as well as online for participants staying in their dwelling/work places (online presentations will be possible).

Tuesday, 23 rd May 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• arrival of participants
Wednesday, 24 th May 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• scientific sessions in Karłów• evening: meeting of the UIS Pseudokarst Commission
Thursday, 25 th May 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• half-day scientific session• half-day field session: crags and caves of the Stołowe Mountains sandstone tableland (Mt Szczeliniec Wielki)
Friday, 26 th May 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• field scientific session: crags and caves of the Stołowe Mountains sandstone tableland: Białe Skały, Narożnik, Błędne Skały• evening: ceremonial dinner
Saturday, 27 th May 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• post-Symposium excursion: crags and caves of the Broumov Upland (Czech Republic), departure of participants
Sunday, 28 th May 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• departure of participants

The program could be modified depending on the number of presentations or participants.

SYMPOSIUM WEBSITE AND CONTACTS

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REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

The registration of all participants must be done by submission of the **registration form** (attached) to the symposium e-mail address up to 28th February 2023. If there is no confirmation of receiving this form, please send it to one of the personal e-mail addresses given above. 2nd Circular and detailed registration form (if necessary) will be sent to people already registered on the basis of submitted initial registration forms.

KEY DATES

28th February 2023 – deadline of registration of participants and **submission of abstracts**

March 2023 – second circular (determining the detailed program and costs),

15th April 2023 – deadline of payment and detailed registration (detailed data of the arrivals and departures, if necessary),

24-27th May 2023 – 14th International Pseudokarst Symposium, Stołowe Mountains, Sudetes,

31 September 2023 – deadline of submission of manuscripts for the post-Symposium monograph (volume of the *Studia Quaternaria* journal).

ESTIMATED COSTS

Costs of the Symposium, which we – the organisers – would like to keep relatively small, depend on number of participants and possible sponsoring. Therefore, currently, we can only provide an estimate. The exact costs will be quoted in the 2nd Circular.

Symposium fee for full participants (covering: participation in scientific and field sessions, hotel and full board, Symposium materials: guidebook and abstracts) – ca. 1200 PLN = ca. 260 euro. Symposium fee for students – ca. 800 PLN = 170 euro, and for graduate students – ca. 1000 PLN = ca. 215 euro.

Symposium cost of accompanying participants (covering: participation in scientific and field sessions, hotel and full board) – ca. 1000 PLN = ca. 215 euro.

Symposium fee for online participants (covering Symposium materials: guidebook and abstracts) – ca. 100 PLN = ca. 20 euro.

Payments will be paid via bank transfers to the account which will be provided in the 2nd Circular.

SCIENTIFIC SESSION AND CONFERENCE PUBLICATION

During the scientific sessions lectures and posters will be presented. All themes connected with exploration, documentation and scientific (geological, geomorphological, biological, archaeological, historical, etc.) studies of non-karst caves, as well as similar pseudokarst landforms are welcome. The language of presentations is English, time length of presentations will depend on their number, but usually it is estimated at 15-20 minutes.

Abstracts (WORD files, up to 4 pages; Times New Roman 12pt, line spacing 1.5; figures as JPG files of high quality, scanned maps will not be accepted, except for historical materials) of oral and poster presentations, submitted as manuscripts and accepted by the Scientific Committee, will be published in the Symposium Materials (maybe in the form of Pseudokarst Newsletter no. 31.), that will also include the field session guidebook.

The geomorphological and geological materials presented during the scientific sessions will be published in the volume of [Studia Quaternaria](#) after normal reviewing procedure of manuscripts prepared according to this journal requirements and standards.

HOW TO GET TO?

[Karłów](#) is a small village, currently the touristic centre in the Stołowe Mountains situated inside the [Stołowe Mountains National Park](#). It is accessible by cars, as well as public bus lines from Kudowa Zdrój and Kłodzko. Participants coming from far abroad are asked to choose the closest Copernicus Airport Wrocław and to inform organisers of their travel schedule, so as to organisation of further transport to Karłów (see the Registration Form).

