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## 19th International Cave Bear Symposium (ICBS 2013)

October 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> 2013 in Semriach, Styria, Austria

Homepage: [icbs2013.at](http://icbs2013.at)



### Organizers:

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Dear Colleagues,

The 19th International Cave Bear Symposium will be held in Semriach/Styria, a village located 25 km north of Graz, on a high plateau of the Grazer Bergland. The Grazer Bergland is a carstic region, well-known for caves with the most important archaeological and palaeontological findings in Austria. The "Drachenhöhle bei Mixnitz" is the largest bear cave in the Austrian Alps and became famous by the publication "Die Drachenhöhle von Mixnitz" (Abel & G. Kyrle, 1931).

In Repolust cave fossil remains of cave bears, wolves and cave lions are mixed with the oldest paleolithic artefacts in Austria.

There are also many other bear caves (Badlhöhle, Kugelsteinhöhle, Lurgrotte, Peggauer Wand-Höhlen, Frauenhöhle bei Semriach ...) which were inhabited by cave bears, cave lions and men from 40.000 – 50.000 BP.

### **Symposium location:**

The Symposium will be held in Hotel Semriacherhof in Semriach

<http://www.semriacherhof.at/en/index.htm>

All participants can stay at the Hotel Semriacherhof, for students we can book cheaper rooms in guesthouses close to the hotel.

Prices Semriacherhof:

BB: 33,-/person

HB: 40,-/person

FB: 45,-/person

+ €5,-- for single room

**Booking: see registration form ICBS 2013 on our homepage: [icbs2013.at](http://icbs2013.at)**

### **How to get there?**

Airport Vienna-Schwechat or Airport Graz

For further transport by train see below:

- FROM AIRPORT WIEN SCHWECHAT

There are busses that directly depart from the airport to the train mainstation Wien Meidling.

The ride lasts approximately half an hour (between 6:00 and 24:00 there is a bus every 30 min.) Bus ticket is 7€ (you can buy it in the bus).

Leave the bus at station "Wien Dörfelstraße" (= Meidling Bahnhof), there are trains that depart regularly for Graz HBf.

**We will provide shuttle service from airport Graz and main train station Graz**

- FROM TRAIN STATION WIEN MEIDLING

Since autumn 2009 the train station "Wien Meidling" is the central station for arrival and departure to and from Vienna. There are trains that depart regularly for Graz Hbf every hour (not at night, the last train is about 21:00 pm, check the schedule!).

Price from Vienna to Graz approx. 34€ (regular ticket).

Check the Homepage of the [ÖBB](#) for further information.

**We will provide shuttle service from airport Graz and main train station Graz**

**Provisional program:**

- **Thursday, October 3rd 2013:**
  - arrival
  - Registration of ICBS participants at the „Hotel Semriacherhof“
  - In the evening : get together at the Hotel, welcome drink and individual dinner
- **Friday, October 4th 2013:**
  - 9:00 Opening remarks by Ing. Jakob Taibinger, mayor of Semriach
  - 9:00 – 11:00 Talks
  - 11:00 – 11:20 Coffee break
  - 11:20 – 13:00 Talks
  - 13:00 – 14:30 Lunch at Hotel Semriacherhof (full board guests)
  - 14:30 – 16:00 Talks
  - 16:00 – 16:20 Coffee break
  - 16:20 – 18:00 Talks
  - 19:00 Dinner at Hotel Semriacherhof

**We recommend to take this day full board**

- **Saturday, October 5th 2013:**  
Excursions optional Drachenhöhle/Mixnitz or Lurgrotte/Peggau

**Attention: please mark the cave excursion you want to attend to on the registration form**

1. **Drachenhöhle/Mixnitz:** 1 1/5 – 2 h 1,5 - 2 hours walk to the cave entrance, 500m altitude difference, mountainous terrain, physical fitness and appropriate equipment are necessary: **hiking shoes, rain shield, warm clothing, backpack, headlamp (optional)**

Lunch: Picnick at the cave entrance, packed lunch will be provided

08:00 Departure from hotel – Arrival Mixnitz village ca 8:45, parking place „Drachenhöhle“

14:00 Departure from parking place to Repolusthöhle ca 30 min

**2. Lurgrotte/Peggau and Josephinengrotte:** Parking place at the cave entrance, Individual lunch at a nearby inn.

09:00 Departure from hotel to Peggau

14:00 Departure from Peggau to Repolusthöhle ca 30 min

14:30 For both groups: Repolusthöhle: ca 30 min walk on a forest road

16:30 Departure from Badl village to Hotel Semriach

18:45 Departure to Lurgrotte Semriach – Evening event with dinner at and in the cave (we recommend warm clothing!)

• **Sunday, October 6th:**

- 9:00 Talks and Poster presentation
- 10:30 Departure to Badlhöhle, ca 30 min walk on a forest path
- 13:00 Lunch at Hotel Semriacherhof
- 15:00 Departure to Frauenhöhle and Leopoldinenhöhle
- 16:30 Departure to Hotel

**For those, who stay until Monday, we recommend full board**

• **Monday, October 7th: Departure**

**Inscription fee:**

Early bird registration until June 30th: € 30,-

Afterwards: € 50,-

It includes:

Guide book of the Symposium

Shuttle service

Refreshments during the days of presentations

Dinner in Lurgrotte

**Payments shall be made to:**

**University Vienna**

**Raiffeisenlandesbank NÖ-Wien**

**IBAN AT08 3200 0000 0067 5447**

**BIC: RLNWATWW**

**Please make sure that you mention as reason for payment: DP535002**

**Registration deadline: July 30th**

**Registration:** see registration form on our homepage: [icbs2013.at](http://icbs2013.at)

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**Abstracts:**

**Deadline for submission: June 30th**

Abstract format:

First name and name of Authors1 (underline author who will talk)

1 Address and e-mail of author 1

2 Address and e-mail of author 2

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1 Page A4, 2500 characters including spaces,

Format: Word, Arial 11

Figures: Format .jpg

Margins: L/R: 25mm

**Oral presentations and posters**

**Lectures** will last 15 min + 5 min discussion, the oral presentations will take place at the seminar room in Hotel Semriacherhof. Projector for Powerpoint presentation is available, if you need further equipment, please contact Nadja Kavcik [nadja.kavcik@univie.ac.at](mailto:nadja.kavcik@univie.ac.at)

**Poster:** Format A1 or A0, we will provide boards and tapes at the hotel