

26th International Cave Bear Symposium 2021



Reiss-Engelhorn-Museen, Mannheim, Germany

30th September – 3rd October 2021

Conference Organisers:

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The 26th International Cave Bear Symposium (ICBS 2021) will be held for the fourth time in Germany. All researchers and interested parties are invited to take an active (talk/poster) or passive role in the proceedings.

Basic and new data about the congress is given in this 2nd circular. In a separate document there is a booking form with which you can register for the symposium and the information for the abstract.

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<https://www.rem-mannheim.de/ausstellungen/eiszeit-safari/aktionsjahr-20202021/symposium/>

Congress location

The congress will take place in Mannheim (Baden-Wuerttemberg), a modern and innovative city situated at the junction of the rivers Rhine and Neckar. The talks and presentations will take place in the „Anna-Reiss-Saal“, Museum Weltkulturen (D5).

How to get there

Mannheim is best reached by car by taking the motorway exit "Mannheim Mitte" or "Käfertal B36" from the A6 Nuremberg/ Saarbrucken.

ICE trains connect Mannheim main Station (Hauptbahnhof/Hbf) to the Stuttgart Airport and Frankfurt Airport in about 40 minutes. ICE connections are available from many cities in Germany. From the station you can walk to the museum within 15 minutes or you can take the tram to "Paradeplatz" (usually three stations, routes and lines may change due to undergoing construction).

Conference Fees

The conference fee is 50 €. The fee includes entry to all congress presentations, along with refreshments during breaks in the proceedings on the day of presentations, the welcome drink, the conference dinner and the excursion day. The conference fee has to be paid directly at the conference registration desk in front of the „Anna-Reiss-Saal“, Museum Weltkulturen (D5). For the post-conference excursion, there will be an extra fee of 10 €.

Accommodation

Within the City and the Metropolregion Rhine-Neckar you can find numerous hotels, guesthouses und B&Bs offering all classes of accommodation in all price ranges. More information can be obtained from the Tourist Office - see <https://www.visit-mannheim.de/hotels-mannheim>.

Registration

Please use the separate registration form and send it to doris.doeppes@mannheim.de. Registration ends finally end of May 2021.

Conformation of a place on an excursion can only be given to persons providing their email address. All excursions will rely on the use of private vehicles.

Any Questions?

Please direct all your questions or queries to the conference organisers.

PROGRAMME

Thu, 30.09.2021: “Schimper day, registration, public lecture and welcome drink

10 am – 4 pm: „Schimper“ day in the „Anna-Reiss-Saal“, Museum Weltkulturen (D5)

Talks about the Naturalist Karl Friedrich Schimper (*15. Februar 1803 in Mannheim; † 21. Dezember 1867 in Schwetzingen) who established the term “Eiszeit” and among others the „Eiszeitlehre“ will be held in German and will be organized by the team of the University of Mannheim. Further information will follow in the **3rd** circular.

4 pm – 7 pm: Registration in the foyer at the Museum Weltkulturen (D5)

7 pm: Public lecture in the „Anna-Reiss-Saal“, Museum Weltkulturen (D5)

Wilfried Rosendahl: Mannheim, Eiszeit und Klimawandel - der Oberrheingraben und seine Bedeutung für die Erforschung der Klimageschichte

8:30 pm: Welcome drink in the exhibition “Eiszeit-Safari” at the Museum Weltkulturen (D5)

Fri, 1.10.2021: Excursion day and barbecue

Mauer: Visit the sand pit and the “Urgeschichtliche Museum” at the Rathausgebäude (Heidelberger Str. 34, 69256 Mauer)

A small selection of vertebrate fossils and a copy of the lower jaw are exhibited in the museum. There are explanations of the history of the find, the geology of the sand pit and the environment in which *Homo heidelbergensis* lived.

Heidelberg: Visit the original of the mandible in the Institute of Earth Sciences of Heidelberg University (In Neuenheimer Feld 234-236, 69120 Heidelberg)

The latest studies give the mandible an age of 610,000 years. The mandible is one of the oldest known representatives of the species *Homo heidelbergensis*.

Bensheim/Lorsch: Visit and barbecue at the Naturschutzzentrum Bergstraße (An der Erlache 17, 64625 Bensheim)

The nature conservation center with an outdoor area is located on the Erlache near Bensheim on the edge of a depression that was created by the prehistoric river „Alt-Neckar“. In the neighbourhood there is a gravel pit, in which the sediments of the former river system are mined. Since autumn 2017, water buffalos graze on parts of the area.

Sat, 2.10.2021: Talk and poster presentations and conference dinner

9 am – 6 pm: Talks and poster presentations

The final programme will be announced in the 3rd circular. The presentations will be held in the „Anna-Reiss-Saal“, Museum Weltkulturen (D5). A time limit of 20 minutes (15 min talk and 5 min discussion) is planned for each speaker. Talks may be given in English or German. Poster size should be DIN A1 portrait.

7 pm: Conference dinner in the „Florian-Waldeck-Saal“, Museum Zeughaus (C5)

Sun, 3.10.2021: Post conference excursion and departure

8 am: departure

11:30 am: Visit the show cave **Herbstlabyrinth** in Breitscheid in Hesse (schauhoehle-breitscheid.de) **OR** the **Geisloch at Oberfellendorf** (Northern Frankenalb, Bavaria) with cave bear bones and wonderful sinter formations.

Abstracts for talks and posters till end of May 2021

Abstracts for talks and posters should be one page long (including illustrations such as diagrams, maps, tables and photos) and may be in English or German. All illustrations should be in a format that allows ready reproduction (.tif or .jpg, minimum 300 dpi).

Text should be provided unformatted in word, times new roman 12 and the references should given for example as followed:

- in journals:

Knaus T., Schopf B., Frischauf C. & Rabeder G. 2018: Die fossilen Bären der Schlenkendurchgangshöhle bei Bad Vigaun (Osterhorngruppe, Salzburg). – Die Höhle 69: 100-108.

- in books:

Le Tensorer J-M. 1998: Le Paleolithique en Suisse. – Editions Gêrôme Millon: Grenoble.

Extended abstract till 15th of December 2021

There will be the opportunity to publish extended abstracts in a book with ISBN. Articles should be between 2 to 6 pages long (including illustrations such as diagrams, maps, tables and photos) and may be in English or German. All illustrations should be in a format that allows ready reproduction (.tif or .jpg, minimum 300 dpi).

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