

EGC 2019

16th Eurasian Grassland Conference of EDGG

29 May – 01 June 2019 (hall sessions in Graz, Austria)

02 – 05 June 2019 (optional post-conference tour in Slovenia)

Species-rich grasslands in the Palaearctic – a treasure without economic value?

Registration is available at: www.edgg.org/conference/2019.html



The **2019 Eurasian Grassland Conference of the Eurasian Dry Grassland Group (EDGG)** is co-organized with the **University of Maribor (Slovenia)** and the **University of Graz (Austria)**. Hall sessions will take place from 29 May to 01 June 2019 in Graz, while an optional post-conference tour is organized from the north east up to the Adriatic coast of Slovenia for 02 to 05 June 2019. According to the main topic, both the mid-conference tour (Neumarkt/Steiermark, Austria) and the post-conference tour in Slovenia will lead to regions, where still species-rich grasslands are in agricultural use. The conference is intended to bring together latest research, and to link this to practical management and policy, thus contributing to the sustainability of semi-natural grasslands. The conference will include the following sessions:

- Do species rich grasslands still have economic value? Examples from farming and conservation practice
- Grassland conservation
- Ethnobotanical contributions to grassland management practises
- Biodiversity of Palaearctic grasslands

In addition

- ✓ A *Natura 2000 Biogeographical Process* networking event will take place.
- ✓ A special issue of an ISI listed journal related to the conference is planned.
- ✓ Like every year we will offer again (a) Young Investigator Prizes to the best oral and poster presentations, and (b) travel grants from IAVS to those who request and meet certain selection criteria.
- ✓ This year we will offer three optional technical workshops for *scientific writing* (by **Jürgen Dengler**), *bryophyte determination* (by **Christian Berg**), and *lichen determination* (by **Peter Bilovitz**).
- ✓ Keynote speaks will be given by **Zsolt Molnár**, **Matej Vidrih**, and **Wolfgang Willner**.

Save the dates!

Early Bird registration deadline –1 March

Late registration deadline – 22 March

Abstract submission deadline – 22 March

Please read more details in the 2nd call https://edgg.org/sites/default/files/page/EGC2019_second_call_1.pdf and visit our web: <https://edgg.org/egc2019>

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