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Dear colleagues,

The XII Symposium of Serbian Entomologists with international participation will be held in Niš at the University main building (Banovina), Address: Univerzitetski trg 2, from the 25th to 29th September 2019, following the decision of the Management board of the Entomological Society of Serbia.

The location of The Symposium is in the city centre. This is the first time that The Symposium of Serbian Entomologists is going to be held in The City of Niš, therefore, the organizers of this meeting would like to thank the members of the Management board of the Entomological Society of Serbia.

Symposium plan

25.09.2019	17-21h – the arrival and registration of the participants
26.09.2019	10-21h – lectures
27.09.2019	10-20h – lectures, 21h – gala dinner
28.09.2019	10-14h – lectures, 15-21h – field trip to Đavolja varoš and dinner at Prolom banja (spa).
29.09.2019	10.00h – closing of the symposium of Serbian Entomologists; Participants' departure

Themes of the symposium

Main topic: Aquatic ecosystems and Entomofauna

Other topics:

- Systematics and Phylogeny
- Diversity
- Population dynamics
- Morphology and physiology
- Vector role of insects and other arthropods
- Physiology of insects under the influence of stress
- Integral plant protection

- Soil and cave entomofauna
- Relict and endemic species of arthropods
- Ecology
- Genetics
- Modelling
- Climate changes
- Distribution and habitats
- Invasive species

The program of the symposium implies only oral presentations prepared in PowerPoint and Prezi software. The lectures will be limited up to 10 minutes while the plenary lectures will be limited up to 20 minutes.

This announcement is only to inform you about the plan of the Symposium, in the second notification there will be details concerning application, preparation and deadlines for summaries submission. All the participants will be forwarded the book of summaries prior the beginning of the Symposium.

Registration fee for the symposium will be 3.000 RSD; for students 1.000 RSD. Pensioners do not pay the registration fee.

The city of Niš

Niš is the largest city in the Southeast Serbia and it is the seat of the Nišava administrative district. The population of the city is about 300,000. It is situated 237 km southeast from Belgrade on the river Nišava not far from its confluence in Južna Morava river.

The city of Niš occupies an area of about 596.73 km². Since 2004, the city has been divided into five municipalities: Mediana, Palilula, Pantelej, Crveni Krst and Niška banja. Niš was an administrative, military and trade centre of different countries and empires which claimed its territory during its long history. One of the most famous Roman emperors Constantine the Great who allowed the spread of Christianity through Europe was born in the ancient city of Naiss today's Niš. Its geographical position made it strategically important and therefore it was attractive for many conquerors. During its history, across the territory of today's city were in chronological order: the Dardanians, the Thracians, the Illyrians, the Celts, the Romans, the Huns, the Avars and after them the Byzantines, the Serbs, the Bulgarians and the Ottomans. The city was taken many times by the Hungarians and the Austrians. It was liberated from the Ottomans in 1878 and ever since it has been a part of Serbia with short disruptions when it was occupied during World War I and World War II.

The architectural diversity and the city's cultural heritage reflect the influence of different folks who lived in its territory. The traffic infrastructure makes Niš a land and air traffic crossroad of the Balkans (especially due to the frequent traffic towards Turkey and Greece) especially because of the international airport Constantine the Great. The city is an important university, cultural, religious and political centre of Serbia. The University in Niš was founded in 1965. It has 14 faculties and about 30,000 students.

Information

Tourist Organization of Niš: <u>http://visitnis.com/</u> Public transport: <u>http://www.jgpnis.com/red-voznje/</u> Taxi service: <u>https://vecerasunisu.com/taxi-prevoz</u>

In Niš 22.04.2019

President of the Entomological Society of Serbia Professor Dr. Vladimir Žikić

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