



1st circular

8th Regional Scientific Meeting on Quaternary Geology: Early Quaternary Archives

November 4-6, 2026

Čatež ob Savi, Slovenia



We are delighted to invite you to the 8th Regional Scientific Meeting on Quaternary Geology. This event offers an excellent opportunity to share knowledge, exchange ideas, and strengthen collaborations among researchers from the Adriatic, Alpine, Dinaric, and Pannonian regions. Join us for stimulating discussions, keynote lectures, and a field excursion in Slovenia.

About the Meeting

The meeting is dedicated to researchers working on Quaternary geology, geomorphology, stratigraphy, and related subjects. It aims to bring together scientists from the Adriatic, Alpine, Dinaric, and Pannonian regions and foster collaboration among National INQUA Committees from neighbouring countries.

The theme of the meeting, “**Early Quaternary Archives**,” will be the focus of keynote lectures and the field excursion. Contributions aligned with this theme are encouraged, but presentations on other aspects of Quaternary geology are also welcome.

Meeting Chairs

Eva Mencin Gale (Chair), Geological Survey of Slovenia

Manja Žebre (Vice-Chair), Geological Survey of Slovenia

Petra Gostinčar (Vice-Chair), Geological Survey of Slovenia

Organisers

- Slovenian National INQUA Committee
- Croatian National INQUA Committee
- Hungarian National INQUA Committee
- Italian National INQUA Committee
- Geological Survey of Slovenia
- Faculty of Natural Sciences and Engineering, University of Ljubljana
- Institute of Archaeology & Karst Research Institute, Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts
- Department of Natural Sciences, Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts
- Institute of Geosciences and Earth Resources, National Research Council of Italy
- BOKU University
- University of Bern
- Institute for Geological and Geochemical Research, HUN-REN Research Centre for Astronomy and Earth Sciences
- Slovenian Geological Society
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Eva Mencin Gale, Manja Žebre, Petra Gostinčar, Petra Jamšek Rupnik, Astrid Švara, Andrej Šmuc, Gábor Újvári, Zsófia Ruszkiczay-Rüdiger, Naki Akçar, Ilaria Mazzini, Giovanni Monegato, Mladen Juračić, Stephanie Neuhuber



Venue

The event will take place in Čatež ob Savi, Eastern Slovenia, known for its thermal waters and nature tourism. The venue is located in the conference hall of **Hotel Terme**.

Program Outline

- November 4, 2026 – Opening ceremony, keynote lectures, participant lectures, poster session, social dinner
- November 5, 2026 – Keynote lectures, participant lectures, poster session, closing ceremony
- November 6, 2026 – Field excursion

Keynote Speakers

- Stephanie Neuhuber (BOKU University, Austria)
- Zsófia Ruszkiczay-Rüdiger (Institute for Geological and Geochemical Research, HUN-REN Research Centre for Astronomy and Earth Sciences, Hungary)
- Giovanni Monegato (Institute of Geosciences and Earth Resources, National Research Council, Italy)
- Naki Akçar (University of Bern, Switzerland)
- Eva Mencin Gale (Geological Survey of Slovenia, Slovenia)

Field Excursion

A one-day field excursion will take place on November 6, 2026, visiting Quaternary fluvial sites in Eastern Slovenia. Field excursion cost is 50€ and includes excursion guidebook, transport and meal. An extended description of field stops will be announced in the 2nd circular.

Registration Fees

Category	Up to 31 July 2026	From 1 August to 30 September 2026
Regular Participant	€100	€130
Students & Recent Graduates*	€50	€70

*Undergraduate and graduate students, and unemployed former students within 2 years of last degree.

Accommodation

We encourage participants to stay at the meeting hotel (Hotel Terme), for networking opportunities. After registration, the participants will receive a link to book the hotel at a discounted rate. Other accommodation options in Čatež ob Savi can be arranged independently.

Important Deadlines

- **Call for abstracts:** 1 April 2026
- **Abstract submission deadline:** 15 June 2026
- **Early bird registration & field excursion booking:** 31 July 2026
- **Payment deadline for early bird registration (by 31 July 2026):** 1 September 2026
- **Payment deadline for late registration (by 30 September 2026):** 15 October 2026

More info & Contact

Please visit the meeting website (<https://www.geo-zs.si/en/8-srecanje-rmqg-2026/>) or contact us by email (8thRMQG@gmail.com).

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Čatež ob Savi!