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Invitation

Dear colleagues,

The Association of European Geological Societies (AEGS) and the Geological Society of Romania (GSR) cordially invite you to join the 16th Meeting of the Association (MAEGS-16) and the Annual Meeting of the Romanian Geological Society which will be held between 9 to 13 July 2009, in Cluj-Napoca - the heart of Transylvania (Romania).

The AEGS is an international organisation promoting all fields of geosciences, and is supported by subscriptions from 30 national geological societies from Europe, with the General Assemblage held every two years in one of the subscribing countries.

The aim of MAEGS-16 is to bring together geoscientists and the representatives of the society to discuss recent progress and future trends. Thus, the following topics will play a major role: **EDUCATION IN GEOLOGY** and **GEOLOGY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE**.

During MAEGS-16, the **Percival Allen Medal** award will be given to a geoscientist for outstanding achievements in the field of international relations in Earth Science.

We whole heartedly look forward to meet you in Cluj-Napoca at MAEGS-16, which will provide you with outstanding scientific information and an opportunity to interact with many colleagues in an excellent environment.

With our best wishes,

Prof.Dr. Corina Ionescu
President of AEGS

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Scientific Committee

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The Scientific Committee will monitor the abstract submission and evaluation processes and will organize the program for the scientific sessions.



Scientific sessions

1. **EDUCATION IN GEOLOGY:**
 - a. Secondary schools, university curricula and joint programs
 - b. Museums
 - c. Public awareness
2. **GEOLOGY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE:**
 - a. Geoparks and geosites
 - b. Geoarchaeology and Archaeometry (ceramics, glass, lithics)
 - c. Gemmology
 - d. Buildings and dimension stones
 - e. Urban geology
 - f. Impact of geohazards
3. **C. OPEN SYMPOSIA**



Invited speakers and key notes

Outstanding scientists from all fields of the symposium will give key note lectures.



Provisional program

9 July 2009	Registration and Ice-breaking party
10-11 July 2009	Scientific sessions (oral presentations and posters)
11 July 2009	Conference dinner
12-13 July 2009	Field trip

Official language of the symposium: **English**



Oral presentations

The oral presentations are restricted to a total of maximum 20 minutes (15 minutes + 5 minutes discussions). Overhead projectors, slide projectors and videoprojectors, as well as computers will be available in each room.



Posters

Posters should be no more than 75 cm wide 110 cm high (portrait orientation). Materials for fixing the posters will be available in the poster area.



Conference volume

The conference abstracts will be published in *Studia Universitatis Babeş-Bolyai*. The contributions will be peer-reviewed by the Scientific Committee and the conveners.

Contributions will be accepted for publication only if the presenting author has paid the conference fee.

The abstract should fit into 1 to 4 printed pages, including the figures and tables. Please follow the [Abstract template](#) which is provided on the web page. Drawings (minimum 600 dpi resolution; tiff format) and grayscale photos (minimum 300 dpi) are allowed. The abstract should be sent in this order: first the text, after that figures in ascending order, and finally the tables, also in ascending order.

The abstract submission should be accompanied by a PDF file version, with the figures and tables included in the text.







Field trip

The post-conference 2-days excursion concentrates on classical points for teaching geology in the Apuseni Mts. and Southern Carpathians (sedimentary, magmatic and metamorphic rocks) as well as on the historic sites reflecting the connection with geology:

-  Roman galleries at Roşia Montană (Neogene gold deposit; Apuseni Mts.)
-  Late Jurassic limestones olistolith in Cretaceous flysch deposits (Buceş Vulcan; (Apuseni Mts.)
-  Gold Museum in Brad (Apuseni Mts.)
-  Mesozoic ophiolites (sheeted dyke complex and pillow lavas) in the Southern Apuseni Mts. (Zam quarry)
-  Hunedoara: the Huniade Castle (Mathias Corvinus family) – 15th cent.
-  Medieval church at Densuş (built in 14th-15th cent. with dimension stones taken from a Roman villa)
-  Ruins of Ulpia Traiana Sarmizegetusa (Roman capital of *Provincia Dacia*)
-  Metamorphosed granitoids from the Southern Carpathians (Râul Mare).








Deadlines

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|  1 February 2009 | Deadline for submission of abstracts |
|  1 March 2009 | Notifying of acceptance of abstracts |
|  1 April 2009 | Deadline for payment of the field trip and registration fees* |
|  15 June 2009 | Second circular and provisional program |

***Only the abstracts with the fee paid by the presenting author will be accepted for publication.**



Registration and fees

-  Standard registration: 125 €. The registration fee includes the scientific programme, abstracts volume, field trip book-guide, ice-breaking party and coffee break refreshments.
-  Student registration: 50 €
-  Conference dinner: 25 €
-  Field-trip (2 days): 100 € (accommodation in double room) or 125 € (accommodation in single room). The fee includes transport, night accommodation, sandwich lunches (first and second day), dinner (first day), breakfast (second day), museum tickets.
-  Accompanying persons: 75 €. The registration fee includes the scientific programme, ice-breaking party and coffee break refreshments.



Payment

The payment of fees (registration, conference dinner and field trip), in Euros, should be made by bank transfer, to the accounts listed below.

Beneficiary: Babeş-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, 1 Kogalniceanu str., RO-400084 Cluj-Napoca (Romania). Please mention **MAEGS-16** in the payment order. Please send a scanned also a copy of the payment order (or fax it) to the symposium secretariate.

Currency	Account no. (IBAN)	Bank	Address of the bank	Swift code (BIC)
Euro	RO16RNCB0106026604700008	Banca Comerciala Romana	10-12 Baritiu Str., RO-400027 Cluj-Napoca, Romania	RNCBROBU



Venue and Facilities

MAEGS-16 will take place in the centre of the city, at the Faculty of Biology and Geology, located in main building of Babeş-Bolyai University (1, Kogalniceanu Str.). A computer room with internet access will be available in the symposium area. Wireless internet access will also be available in the university.

The university restaurant and mensa are located at 2 minutes walking-distance from the main building. Wireless internet access is available for free in the downtown area of the city.



Accommodation

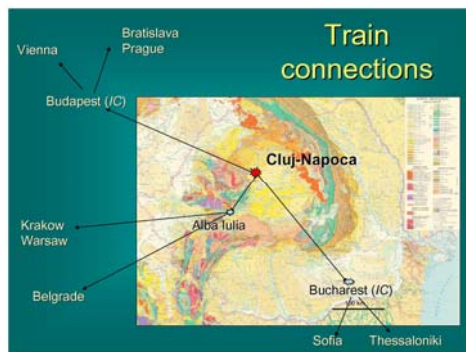
Cluj-Napoca has numerous 2 to 5 stars hotels. A map of the hotel locations and a list with contact details are available at the web site. Low-cost accommodation in student dormitories and youth hostels is available as well.



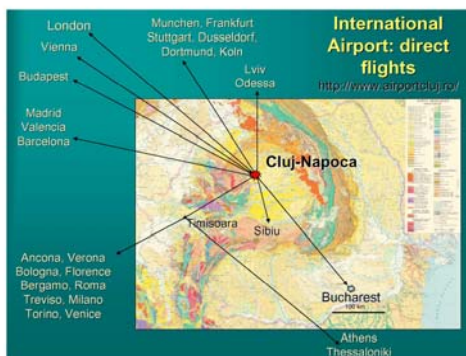
Travel informations

The city of Cluj-Napoca can be reached by:

-  train (connection with Budapest, Bucharest, Belgrade, Sofia, Warsaw, Vienna etc.)



- airplane: Cluj-Napoca Airport has direct flights to Vienna, Frankfurt, Munich, Budapest, Madrid, Athens and several Italian cities).



 car (from Budapest, Bucharest, Belgrade).








Call for proposals for „Percival Allen Medal” award

The Percival Allen Medal Award Committee invites submissions for this award, given biennially to a geoscientist for outstanding achievements in the field of international relations in Earth Science. The award was established 2006 by the AEGS Executive Committee and is named for Prof. Percival Allen FRS, one of the AEGS's founders.

The Award Committee will make its decision in January of each odd-numbered year and announce the laureate at the next Meeting of AEGS in the same year. Only proposals reaching the AEGS Secretary before 30 November of each even-numbered year will be considered.

Nominations for the Award, with accompanying documentation, should be submitted electronically to the AEGS Secretary via email in PDF format: **Dr. Marco Giardino**, AEGS Secretary, Dipartimento di Scienze della Terra, Università di Torino, Via Valperga Caluso 35, 10125 Torino ITALIA. Tel +39 011 6705164 ; Fax +39 011 2365164 ; Email: <marco.giardino@unito.it>

Links

-  AEGS: <http://www.aegs.org/aegs.html>
-  Percival Allen Medal: <http://www.aegs.org/aegs.html>
-  GSR: <http://www.geosociety.ro/>
-  Babes-Bolyai University Cluj-Napoca, Geology Department: <http://bioge.ubbcluj.ro/geology/>
-  IYPE (International Year of Planet Earth): <http://yearofplanetearth.org/index.html>
-  Studia Universitatis Babeş-Bolyai: <http://bioge.ubbcluj.ro/studia/>