# First circular of 18<sup>th</sup> IBA Conference in Liberec, Czech Republic

Technical University in Liberec invites you to the 18<sup>th</sup> IBA Conference

### 16-22 June 2019



**Host institution:** Technical University in Liberec (TUL): Department of Geography. The Conference will be held under the auspices of rector.

**Venue**: The plenary meeting of the conference will take place in the room called "AULA" in Building G on the University campus. The separate meetings of the IBA Advisory Committee and workshops will



#### Liberec

Liberec is the district capital with about 100 000 inhabitants situated on the Lusatian Neisse and surrounded by the Jizera Mountains and Ještěd-Kozákov Ridge. It is the fifth-largest city in the Czech Republic. Liberec was once home to a thriving textile industry and hence nicknamed the "Manchester of Bohemia". Liberec's prominent buildings include the Town Hall (1893), the Liberec Castle (Liberecký zámek), built in the 16th century, and the Ještěd Tower (1968) upon the Ještěd Mountain, designed by architect Karel Hubáček, which has become a symbol of the city.

The zoo in Liberec was the first to be opened in Czechoslovakia in 1919. The zoo contains a wide



variety of fauna (about 143 species on 13 ha), including large mammals like elephants, giraffes, sea lions and white tigers, which are a genetic anomaly and hence very rare. The zoo participates in breeding activities of endangered species to help preserve the gene pool.

The Botanical Garden in Liberec (completely rebuilt from Kučera 1995 to 2000) comprises nine glass houses for visitors (with a total area of 3,000 m2 (32,291.73 sq ft) and 13 exhibition themes), nine plantation glass houses and a large exterior terrain. It continues the legacy of a botanical garden established in 1876 by the Verein der Naturfreunde ("Society of Friends of Nature") on a nearby site and it is therefore considered the oldest one in the Czech Republic.



#### **Tentative timetable:**

- April 2018: By this date please email your intention to attend the conference;
- July 2018: Second circular;
- 1 September 2018: Online registration opens;
- 1 October 2018: Scholarship applications due;
- 30 November 2018: End of early registration;
- 30 January 2019: End of final registration, all fees and abstracts due;
- April 2019: Third circular;
- 9-15 June 2019: Pre-conference field trip Fossil Bryozoa organized by Kamil Zágoršek: Bohemian Palaeozoic, Cretaceous and Moravian tertiary (bus limited number of participants around 40, minimum 20). Price around 900 Euro;
- 16-22 June 2019: Conference including dinner and mid conference geological sightseeing tour. Price around 600 Euro
- 23-29 June 2019: Post conference trip Recent Bryozoa organized by Maja Novosel: Adriatic sea (fly and ship - limited number of participants around 40, minimum 20) price around 1500 Furo
- 31 August 2019: Revised manuscripts due

Please express your preliminary interest to attend the conference before **1**<sup>st</sup> **May 2018** by sending email to kamil.zagorsek@gmail.com and providing:

#### Name:

#### Interest to attend:

- Pre-conference trip Y/N
- Conference Y/N
- Post conference trip Y/N

## See you in Liberec in 2019!

Kamil Zágoršek and the Organizing Committee



