

FIELDS TRIPS

During the conference, half-day and one-day trips will be organized. Before and after the conference, academic trips lasting 3-6 days will be offered.

Half-day trips in Kraków:

- Old Town (a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1978) and Kazimierz (the historical Jewish district of Kraków);
- Nowa Huta district (the former socialist town and the steelworks).

One day trips in the vicinity of Kraków:

- Wieliczka Salt Mine Museum: the only mining site in the world operating continuously since the Middle Ages, a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1978;
- Ojców National Park: the smallest Polish national park with karst landscape, e.g. numerous caves with remains of Paleolithic settlements, canyons, isolated rocks;
- Auschwitz-Birkenau Museum: German Nazi Concentration and Extermination Camp (1940-1945); Wadowice (the museum of Pope John Paul II).



The Ojców National Park

Academic trips:

- The Carpathian Mts.: 23-25.08.2014, Poland/Slovakia, the Tatra Mts. National Park, the Slovakian Paradise, the Pieniny Mts. National Park
- Central Poland: 23-25.08.2014, Krakow-Czestochowa Upland, Brown Coal Mine in Belchatów, Łódź (traditional textile industrial centre)
- Polish-Ukrainian border and Western Ukraine: 23-28.08.2014, Lviv, Kamyanets Podliskyi, Ivano-Frankivsk; old towns and cities with remains of Polish, Ukrainian and Jewish culture
- Eastern Poland: 23-27.08.2014, Sandomierz, the Białowieża National Park, the Biebrza National Park, the Narew National Park, traditional orthodox, Muslim and Jewish culture
- Land degradation and reclamation in the Silesian Upland and the Polish Carpathians: 14-17.08.2014, Katowice (old coal mining region), Chechło (Błęarów Desert), environmental changes in the Tatra Mts., the Gorce Mts. and in the Beskid Niski Mts.
- Western Poland: 15-17.08.2014, Wrocław, Świdnica (the famous wooden church), Kłodzko (17th-18th c. fortification), Tychy (Tyskie Brewery), Zabrze (Historic Coal Mine GUIDO), Katowice (the historical 'miners' colony).



The Tatra Mts. National Park



KRAKÓW 2014

IGU Regional Conference

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Second Circular



KRAKÓW, POLAND
18-22 AUGUST 2014

CONFERENCE THEME AND SESSIONS

The theme of the conference is **CHANGES, CHALLENGES, RESPONSIBILITY**. **Plenary sessions** will be organized to focus discussions on issues linked to the conference theme. IGU Commissions, Task Forces and Special Committees organize **conference sessions** and additionally **thematic sessions** may be arranged by the conference participants to present the achievements of research groups or the results of research projects, or to gather experts specialized in a particular research topic in order to discuss selected research issues.

IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES

15 October 2013: Deadline for the submission of the session proposals

1 November 2013 – Early registration starts

15 January 2014 - Deadline for submitting abstracts for papers and posters

25 February 2014 – Notification of results of abstract reviews

10 March 2014 – Publication of the provisional conference programme

2 April 2014 – Deadline for early registration fee payment

15 May 2014 – Deadline for regular fee payment

18-22 August 2014 – IGU Regional Conference in Kraków, Poland

VENUE

Opening ceremony will be held in the Auditorium Maximum of the Jagiellonian University, 33 Krupnicza St., Kraków.



The conference sessions will take place at the Institute of Geography and Spatial Management of the Jagiellonian University, 7 Gronostajowa St., Kraków.



International Geography Olympiad 2014 will be held in the Pedagogical University of Cracow, 2 Podchorążych St., Kraków.



GENERAL CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

17.08.2014 – Registration of the participants, Auditorium Maximum

18.08.2014 – Registration of the participants and Opening Ceremony and ice-breaker party, Auditorium Maximum

19-22.08.2014 – plenary, conference and thematic sessions, Institute of Geography and Spatial Management of the Jagiellonian University

19.08.2014 – countryside social event

21.08.2014 – Gala Dinner in the Wieliczka Salt Mine Museum



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22.08.2014 – Closing Ceremony, Institute of Geography and Spatial Management of the Jagiellonian University

Further information and on-line registration are available at:

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