



Invitation

The **17th International Symposium on Trichoptera** will be held in Lunz am See, Austria, on 5 – 9 September 2022. Lunz is a small and remote village about 150 km west of Vienna and lies nearby the unique wilderness area („Wildnisgebiet Dürrenstein – Lassingtal“), the largest virgin forest of the Alps. The Symposium will be held in the 2021 opened new building „Haus der Wildnis“, a visitor centre and museum including the administration office of the wilderness area. This building is located in the centre of the village and in walking distance of the lake „Lunzer Untersee“.

The meeting will (unsurprisingly) be devoted to the art and science of Trichoptera research. Lectures and posters on all aspects of these magnificent creatures will be presented during four days. A tentative schedule will be presented on the website given below. The conference will start on Monday around lunchtime and end on Friday in the early afternoon. A guided mid-term excursion to the wilderness area will be on Wednesday, including the possibility to collect specimens in the Steinbachtal, a small catchment in the wilderness area. Monday and Thursday evenings will be open for free discussions.

On Tuesday and Thursday will be a programme for accompanying persons with the focus on the cultural history of the region.

The region of Lunz is of subalpine character and rich in lakes, streams and wetlands as well as springs and springbrooks, mainly on limestone rocks. The diversity of aquatic insects including caddisflies is high and well studied. Some sites of local caddis studies in the 1970s and 1980s may be visited. During the Symposium, some typical caddis species of the Eastern Alps will be on the wing. The mountains and hills surrounding Lunz are great for hiking.

Normally one can expect fine weather in early September, but our experience says that it is always advisable to expect adverse weather conditions such as heavy rainstorms, so better be prepared.

For more information including schedule, cost, travel, accommodation etc. see the website:

<https://www.trichoptera2021.at/index.php/Trichoptera2021.html>

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