# III. International Congress of Speleology Vienna — Obertraun — Salzburg 1961

#### First Circular

## 1. Place and Date of the Congress

The organizing committee invites all persons interested most cordially to this congress. It will take place in temporal succession with the 6th INQUA-Congress according to a decision of the last International Congress.

The essential events will come to pass in Vienna between September 18th and 23rd, 1961. From September 24th to 26th the congress will be continued at Obertraun (Upper Austria), its last events taking place in Salzburg from September 26th to September 28th, 1961.

Excursions before and after the Congress from September 15th to September 17th and September 26th to October 2nd are planned. During the Congress there will be a festivity on occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Dachstein Caves (at Obertraun and Hallstatt, Upper Austria), and another one as the quinquagenary of the foundation of the "Landesverein für Höhlenkunde in Salzburg" (Society of Speleology in Salzburg).

The programme may be subject to changes.

### 2. Organizing Committee

Honorary President: Sektionschef Dr. Rudolf SAAR, President of the Speleological Institute of the Federal Ministry for Agriculture and Forestry, Vienna

Presidents: Univ.-Prof. Dr. Hans SPREITZER, Director of the Geographical Institute of the University of Vienna and President of the Austrian Geographical Society, Vienna Univ.-Prof. Dr. Hans STROUHAL, Administrative Director of the

Univ.-Prof. Dr. Hans STROUHAL, Administrative Director of the Museum of Natural History in Vienna, General Secretary of the Zoological-Botanical Society, Vienna

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Univ.-Prof. Dr. Kurt EHRENBERG, Vienna

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Niederösterreich (Vienna and Lower Austria), Vienna

Dipl. Engineer Othmar SCHAUBERGER, Landesverein für Höhlenkunde in Oberösterreich (Upper Austria), Bad Ischl, Upper Austria

Univ.-Prof. Dr. Helmuth ZAPFE, Museum of Natural History, Vienna

### 3. Membership of the Congress

As is usual in International Congresses of Speleology, a membership fee of Austrian S 400,— (U. S. dollar 16,—) will be requested from the members, to be paid before the beginning of the congress. The payment of this fee entitles the participants to take part in all the events, to give lectures or to present papers, and to receive all publications of the Congress.

For persons, accompanying the members, a reduced fee of Austrian S 200,— (U. S. dollar 8,—) will have to be paid. They are granted the right to take part in all the events of the Congress, without presenting papers or receiving publications. No member is allowed to name more than two persons, accompanying him.

The costs of excursions will be given in the second circular. All applications according to the circular in hand are only preliminary and don't oblige to pay the fee.

Payments are requested after the second circular will be received, requesting a definite application and containing the bank connections.

## 4. Sections of Work and Topics of Discussions

Sections of Work are planned as follows:

- 1. Physical Speleology (Karst Phenomena and Speleology)
- Cave Fauna and Flora of recent times
  Cave Archaeology and Palaeontology
- 4. Practical Speleology (Documentation and Caving Practice)

The papers presented may cover any special field of speleology. The Committee, however, will devote the single meetings to single subjects and topics of special interest. The Committee suggests that the lectures deal with the following topics:

a) Methods of dating the processes of development and deposition of cave sediments: possibilities — prospects — aims b) Studies of the drainage of Karst areas with respect to the utili-

sation of Karst water and water supply

c) Relations between Cave origin and Surface formations d) Cave dwelling during the glacial age and its conditions

Besides the meetings of the members oft the sections of work, meetings of the single commissions are planned, as well as the establishment of new commissions for the study of certain problems.

#### 5. Papers

Papers must be presented in one of the official languages of the Congress which are English, French, Italian, Spanish, Russian and German. A typed summary in English, French or German, containing no more than 150 words must be received by the General Secretary's Office before March 31st, 1961. The presentation of a summary does not imply its acception for publication. If possible the Committee will send these summaries to the members before the beginning of the Congress.

#### 6. Excursions

Some excursions are going to take place for all members during the Congress; so the Dachstein Caves and the Eisriesenwelt (Tennengebirge) will be visited.

At the excursions before and after the Congress caves in different parts of Austria will be visited which have been made accessible or

can be toured by the cave tourist.

Exact programme and specifications referring to the single excursions will be given in the 2nd circular.

#### 7. General Informations

Details referring to the costs of lodge and boarding will be given in the 2nd circular, which will only be sent persons and institutions having answered this 1st circular.

#### 8. Correspondence

All letters and inquiries concerning the organisation of the Congress or referring to excursions, applications and summaries should be addressed exclusively to:

Generalsekretariat des 3. Internationalen Kongresses für Speläologie Verband österreichischer Höhlenforscher Wien II, Obere Donaustrasse 99/7/3

> On behalf of the Organizing Committee: Dr. Hubert Trimmel General Secretary

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