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The 25th International Symposium “Amber. Science and Art”

AMBERIF 2018

March 22–23, 2018

Gdańsk, Poland

FIRST CIRCULAR

We are pleased to announce the **25th International Symposium on “Amber. Science and Art,”** which takes place on 22-23 March 2018 in Gdańsk, Poland, during the 25th AMBERIF International Fair of Amber, Jewellery and Gemstones (21-24 March 2018).

The International Symposium is organised to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the AMBERIF International Fair of Amber, Jewellery and Gemstones and the 20th Anniversary of the Museum of Amber Inclusions at the University of Gdańsk. This conference will be a unique opportunity to meet specialists and colleagues from other countries in beautiful Gdańsk—the World Capital of Amber—and discuss the most current topics on Baltic amber and other fascinating fossil resins of the world. Gdańsk has an age-old history of amber extraction and trade in amber products. Scientific investigations of amber have also been performed in Gdańsk for hundreds of years. There is no better place to meet and talk about amber!

SYMPOSIUM SCOPE

The main theme of the seminar is Baltic amber, but all interdisciplinary topics connected with other fossil are kindly invited. The main sessions are:

- 1. Life traces in amber**
- 2. Stylistics and processing technology of amber products in 3rd-1st millennium BC: local and interregional perspective**
- 3. Highlights of amber properties investigations and current aspects of amber mining**
- 4. Myths, collections and conservation of amber**

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SCHEDULE

21st/22nd March, 2018. Registration.

22nd March, 2018: 1st Day of lectures – sessions 1 and 2. Poster session.

23rd March, 2018: 2nd Day of lectures – sessions 3 and 4. Poster session. Conference photograph.

24th March, 2018. Field-trip (optional, extra).

IMPORTANT DATES

Registration: December 15, 2017

Abstract submissions: January 20, 2018

Abstract acceptance notification: February 10, 2018

Final symposium program announcement: March 15, 2018

SYMPOSIUM LANGUAGE

- English, with simultaneous translation into Polish (headphones)

ABSTRACTS

A request for abstracts will be announced in the Second Circular, which will also have instructions for electronic submission. Delegates will only be permitted to give one lecture. Number of posters will also be limited to space available.

PROCEEDINGS VOLUME

The proceedings of the symposium will be published as a special volume. **Deadline for final paper submission is June 30, 2018.** Priority will be given to those papers which are based on lectures presented during the symposium.

SYMPOSIUM FEES

No fee required to attend the symposium.

SYMPOSIUM VENUE

Gdańsk International Fair Co. – AMBEREXPO Exhibition and Convention Center

11 Żaglowa St., Gdańsk, Poland

<http://www.amberexpo.pl>

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Gdańsk has an airport well communicated with the city centre. Public transport and optional taxi is also well organised. More details will be provided in the Second Circular.

ACCOMMODATION

Organisers are offering accommodation for invited and keynote speakers (three nights, as well as catering at the time of the symposium sessions).

Other participants are kindly requested to book and pay for the accommodation on their own.

Gdanka Travel agency can assist in the selection of the hotel <http://gdankatravel.pl>

FIELD-TRIP

Day after the proceedings (24th March), a trip to the Malbork (medieval castle with great amber collection of historical objects) and Mikoszewo (national wildlife preservation park; place of amber collecting) will take place. The trip is free of charge for participants of the conference.