

Scientific Program (1 or 2 abstracts can be submitted in four sessions):

Session 1: Mineralogical research and museums.

Systematic and regional mineralogy; nomenclature and classification; new minerals; symmetry and crystallography; crystal morphology; gem minerals and aggregates; meteorites; cave minerals; analytical techniques and methods.

Session 2: Archaeomineralogy and cultural heritage.

Archaeological mineralogy and archaeogemmology; archaeometry.

Session 3: Collection management and development.

Trends in mineralogical or complex geological and natural history museums; acquisition; conservation; unique samples; databases; computer and video applications.

Session 4: Museums, environment and society.

History of mineralogical collections and museums; education; specific exhibits (archaeomineralogy; ecomineralogy; ethnomineralogy; medical mineralogy; biominerals; technical mineralogy); minerals and the arts; public relations; geoheritage and geotourism.

Business meetings

Cultural program

Exhibitions and company promotion

For details please visit our website:

<http://www.bgminsoc.bg/>

International Partners

- International Mineralogical Association (IMA); Commission on Museums

National Partners

- Geological Institute “Strashimir Dimitrov”, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia
- Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”, Sofia
- University of Mining and Geology “St. Ivan Rilski”, Sofia
- Institute of Mineralogy and Crystallography “Acad. Ivan Kostov”, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia
- National Natural History Museum, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia
- Regional Natural History Museum, Plovdiv
- Intergeoresource Ltd., Sofia

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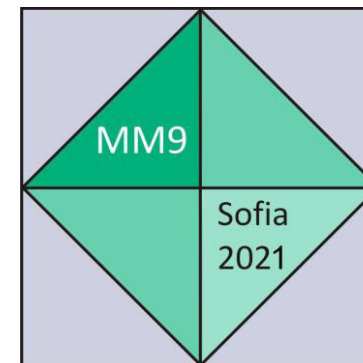
Bulgarian Mineralogical Society



National Museum “Earth and Man”

9th International Conference Mineralogy and Museums

Call for Abstracts



**August 24-26, 2021
Sofia, Bulgaria**

Important: We are monitoring the worldwide situation with different travel restrictions. Please, visit our website for final update on the scientific event in late March 2021.

Dear colleagues,

With great pleasure and honor the Organizing Committee should like to invite you at the

9th International Conference Mineralogy and Museums (MM9): August 24-26, 2021, Sofia, Bulgaria.

MM9 will deal with mineralogy, museums and related fields of science, with a special focus on archaeological mineralogy and minerals in cultural heritage. The conference intends to bring together both professionally oriented scientists and museum curators, providing them with an opportunity to share ideas and strengthen international links.

Deadline for abstract submission: May 10, 2021.

- Regular registration: 300 EUR
- Later registration: 350 EUR
- Student participant: 100 EUR
- Accompanying person: 150 EUR
- Fee for second abstract: 20 EUR
- Conference dinner: 50 EUR
- Exhibit (1 m²/day) site: 15 EUR

Submission guidelines and instruction for the abstracts are available at the conference website: <https://www.bgminsoc.bg>
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- Stuart Mills (Victoria Museum, Melbourne, Australia)
- Kim Tait (Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto, Canada)

The official conference language will be English.

Field Trips

A. Post-conference trip (27 August 2021) – one day (Stara Planina Mountain): Sofia – Elatsite porphyry copper-gold deposit – Sofia

B. Pre-conference trip (22-23 August 2021) – two days: Sofia – Plovdiv (European Capital of Culture 2019; Regional Natural History Museum) – Haskovo (Museum Center “Thracian Art of Eastern Rhodopes”) – Kardzhali (zeolite geosite; Regional Historical Museum with Mineralogical Exhibition; “Perperikon” geoarchaeological site) – Sofia

C. Post-conference trip (27-29 August 2021) – three days: Sofia – Veliki Preslav (Archaeological Museum with Medieval gem treasures) – Madara (rock-cut “Madara Horseman” UNESCO site) Varna (Archaeological Museum – “Oldest Gold of Mankind” and faceted carnelian beads from the Varna Chalcolithic necropolis; Aladzha Rock Monastery) – Stara Zagora (Museum “Neolithic Dwellings”; Regional Historical Museum) – Sofia

For details please visit our website.

Important deadlines

March 1, 2021 Open online conference and field trip registration; Submission of abstracts
May 10, 2021 Deadline for abstract submission and regular registration
August 22-23, 2021 Pre-conference field trip
August 24-26, 2021 Opening of conference; Conference sessions
August 27-29, 2021 Post-conference field trips A and C

