



Figure 1: Etna's summit craters from Barbagallo craters - ph. G

Dear participants to the 19th Symposium on Volcano speleology, greetings to all of you, waiting to say hello in person in Catania. Here is some important updates for you

#### ARRIVAL IN CATANIA

- For those who will come by plane, please remember to send us your flight number day and time of arrival as soon as possible. One of our teams will meet you at the arrival gate of the airport and they will drive you to the front desk of the Symposium and then to your hotel. They will carry a sign with the logo of the Symposium.
- For those who are not flying in, the meeting point is the Gruppo Grotte Catania headquarters: Via Messina 593 A – Ognina - Catania

#### FRONT DESK

- When you arrive at the front desk of the Symposium, you'll have to show your vaccination certificate, or a negative swap taken within the previous 48 hours. European and Italian participants need to show their Green Pass to be admitted to the Symposium.
- The next step will be the completing of your registration by paying the extra excursions and the insurance in case you don't have one.

- The price of each excursion per person is listed below:  
ETNA GEOLOGICAL TOUR.....40 €  
TAORMINA AND ALCANTARA GORGES.....60€  
SIRACUSA E NOTO.....60€  
GENERAL EXCURSION.....free of charge  
CAVING EXCURSION..... half day 10 €; full day 20€  
INSURANCE.....10€ a day (Thursday & Friday excursions)

All payments can be made by Paypal or cash (euro).

The front desk will issue a badge that you are kindly requested to show at each event of the Symposium.

#### ACCOMMODATION

The Organizing Team has paid a 30% deposit on the cost of the hotel rooms for those who are going to stay at the 8 Room Hotel. This was necessary in order to make the reservation. When you complete your registration at the front desk upon arrival, you will be requested to refund the deposit. The amount of the deposit will be deducted from your hotel bill at the end of your stay.

#### PROCEEDINGS

All participants will be requested to fill out a form with their postal address, so they can receive the proceedings of the Symposium.

#### SPEAKERS

The Scientific Committee accepted all presented papers. You can find the complete calendar of the lectures in the DAILY SCHEDULE attached. All speakers are kindly requested to look up the calendar and take note of the time slot that has been allotted to them. Please, notice that all times are CET (Rome/Paris). All speakers are kindly requested to keep to the duration that was established for their lecture ( 20 minutes). All the lectures will be transmitted online, but they will not be accessible to those who did not register. The scientific sessions will be recorded and they will be published only after the Symposium is over.

#### ONLINE SPEAKERS.

The link to participate will be sent to you the day before your lecture. It will be possible to share your screen to show a PowerPoint presentation or slides.

It will be possible to test the internet connection for on line speakers. The tests will take place at the following times:

August 24<sup>th</sup> 7:30 - 9:00 am

August 25<sup>th</sup> 9:00 - 10:30 pm

To ask for a test, please write an email to [contact@19isvetna.com](mailto:contact@19isvetna.com).

The front desk will send you a mail with the instructions to follow for the test. We invite all speakers to take advantage of this opportunity in order to avoid problems during the working sessions.

#### PROCEEDINGS FOR ONLINE MEMBERS FULL

Please, send an email to [contact@19isvetna.com](mailto:contact@19isvetna.com) with your postal address so we can send you your copy of the proceedings.

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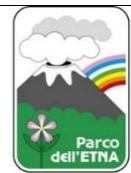
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