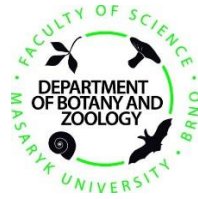




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29th Central European Auchenorrhyncha Meeting

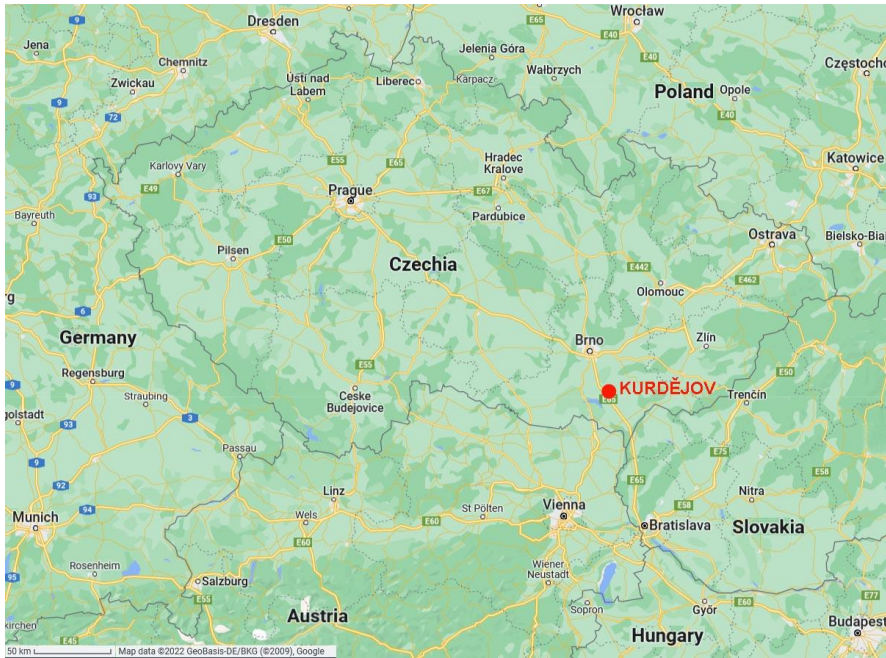
First Circular

The 29th meeting of the Central European Auchenorrhyncha Working Group (Arbeitskreis Zikaden Mitteleuropas, e.V.) will be held from **June 23 to 25, 2023 in Kurdějov (South Moravia, Czech Republic)**. It is organised by Dr. Igor Malenovský (Department of Botany and Zoology, Faculty of Science, Masaryk University, Brno & Department of Entomology, Moravian Museum, Brno).

Here you find information about meeting venue, accommodation and preliminary programme. The Central European Auchenorrhyncha meeting (CEAM) will be immediately followed by the **9th European Hemiptera Congress (EHC 9)** which will be held at the same venue from June 25 to July 1. More information about EHC 9 can be found on the congress website: <https://eurohemiptera.eu/> Both CEAM and EHC 9 are planned as face-to-face meetings (i.e. not virtual online or hybrid meetings).

(1) Meeting venue Kurdějov

Kurdějov (48°57'24"N, 16°45'45"E) is a small village in SE Czechia, 35 km south of the city of Brno and 2 km NE of the town of Hustopeče. It is located near (2 km) the D2/E56 highway between Brno and Bratislava and is easily accessible by car (exit no. 25, **Hustopeče**). International trains from Austria, Germany, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia stop at **Břeclav** (30 km) and **Brno** stations. From there, Kurdějov can be reached by local buses or trains in one hour, but we will try to arrange a pick-up service for you from these stations if possible. The nearest international airports are in Vienna (125 km), Bratislava (120 km), Prague (250 km), Katowice (300 km) and Budapest (330 km) and provide connections to most major European or world destinations. The small airport in Brno (35 km) is served by Ryanair, which offers regular flights from London/Stansted.



The meeting will be held at the **Kurdějov Hotel** (<https://www.hotelkurdejov.cz>; website currently in Czech only).

Kurdějov is located in a landscape typical of South Moravia, consisting of small hills, vineyards, fields, orchards and remnants of Pannonian dry grasslands and thermophilous oak forests with their species-rich plant and insect communities, which offer interesting opportunities for excursions and Hemiptera collecting within walking distance from the hotel. Directly in front of the hotel, there is a fortified church with underground galleries from the 16th century.



A view of the village of Kurdějov (<https://cs.wikipedia.org/>, RomanM82, CC BY-SA 4.0)

(2) Preliminary program

(subject to modifications, will be updated in a 2nd Circular in May/early June and on the websites <http://www.ak-zikaden.de/tagungen/> and <https://eurohemiptera.eu/>)

Friday, 23 June 2023 (Kurdějov Hotel)

- • afternoon: individual arrival, check-in at hotel
- • evening: welcome, dinner, friendly get-together

Saturday, 24 June 2023 (Kurdějov Hotel)

- • morning: talks and poster session, annual meeting of the „AK Zikaden Mitteleuropas, e.V. society“
- • lunch at the hotel
- • afternoon: field excursion to the „Kamenný vrch u Kurdějova“ nature reserve (Pannonian dry grasslands in a walking distance from the hotel)
- • dinner

Sunday, 25 June 2023

- • morning: field excursion, probably to the „Trkmanec-Rybníčky“ nature reserve (remnants of salt marshes, transport by cars, ca. 15 min from the hotel)
- • afternoon/evening: departure or start of the European Hemiptera Congress



Pannonian grasslands in the „Kamenný vrch u Kurdějova“ reserve (Photograph by I. Malenovský).

Talks and posters

Talks and poster presentations in English or German (or combined) are welcome (see registration form):

- Talks: 20 min incl. discussion and questions
- Posters: max. 80 x 120 cm, portrait format

(3) Accommodation

Participants are requested to book the accommodation early by themselves. For your comfort, we recommend accommodation at the Kurdějov Hotel. The prices offered to us for the CEAM meeting and EHC 9 congress are the following (in Czech crowns – CZK, including breakfast, all rooms are equipped with bathroom and toilet):

Double room (2 persons/night): 2080 CZK (83 EUR)

Double room (1 person/night): 1800 CZK (72 EUR)

Double room with one extra bed (3 persons/night): 2670 CZK (107 EUR)

To book rooms, you can use the hotel's e-mail address, phone or web contact form: info@hotelkurdejov.cz, +420 519 411 381, <https://www.hotelkurdejov.cz/kontakt>. Please indicate that you are booking accommodation for the Central European Auchenorrhyncha Meeting or European Hemiptera congress.

Some other accommodation options are available in the village, or (by car) in the surrounding area, e.g. in the town of Hustopeče. Their capacity is limited. Please note e.g. <https://www.booking.com> or <https://www.airbnb.cz>.

(4) Meeting costs

To cover the costs of meals, coffee break and meeting room rental, a fee of 2000 CZK/person (ca. 85 EUR) will be collected on site. Accommodation costs and drinks will be paid individually.

(5) Contact to the organisation team

If you need help or have questions, please contact me:

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