





CALL FOR PAPERS

The Association for the Study of Marble & Other Stones in Antiquity

ASMOSIA XIV INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

September 15–20, 2025

Ljubljana, Slovenia

https://asmosia14.si/

The Executive Committee of ASMOSIA together with the Organizing Committee has the pleasure of inviting scholars to participate in the XIV International Conference of the Association, which will be held in Ljubljana, Slovenia, from Monday 15th until Saturday 20th September 2025.

The conference will deal with the traditional research fields promoted by ASMOSIA with the aim of creating a basis for an interdisciplinary discussion, which should include contributions from different scientific and archaeological approaches.

Sessions

- 1. Applications to Specific Archaeological Questions Use of Marble
- 2. Provenance Identification I: Marble
- 3. Provenance Identification II: Other Stones
- 4. Advances in Provenance Techniques, Methodologies and Databases

5. Quarries and Geology (Quarrying Techniques, Organization, Transport of Stones, New Quarries, Stone Carving and Dressing, Hazards to and Preservation of Quarries)

6. Stone Properties, Weathering Effects and Restoration (Diagnosis Problems, Matching of Stone Fragments and Authenticity)

7. Pigments and Paintings on Marble

8. **Special Theme Session:** *»Limestones and other rocks of the Alpine-Dinaric-Pannonian area: sources, extraction and use«*

9. **Poster Session A** (Applications to Specific Archaeological Questions, Provenance Identification I and II, Advances in Provenance Techniques, Methodologies and Databases)

10. **Poster Session B** (Quarries and Geology, Stone Properties, Weathering Effects and Restoration, Pigments and Paintings on Marble, Special Theme Session)





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Language

The conference's language is English.

Submission of abstracts

The deadline for the submission of abstracts is **15th January 2025**. Abstracts have to be prepared in English on the abstract submission form (please find it attached) and have to be submitted as a WORD file to <u>asmosia14@guest.arnes.si</u>.

The text should be between 200 and 400 words. It should include: abstract title, full name/s of the author/s, their institutions and e-mail addresses, as well as three keywords. The content should aim at presenting the subject matter, the objectives, the results and the conclusions of the research.

Reviewing of the abstracts

The abstracts will be assessed by a team of reviewers, composed by experts in the relative subjects. Relevance to the conference subjects and originality will be important conditions for acceptance. Following that, and based on criteria such as state of completion of the work, innovation, wider interest etc., they will be selected for oral or poster presentation. One oral presentation per participant is allowed.

Announcement of acceptance / rejection of papers is planned for 15th April 2025.

For each accepted paper (oral or poster), at least one author has to register in full and be present at the conference. Posters sent by post, or brought to the conference by other people will not be accepted.

Oral presentations

The oral presentations cannot exceed 15 minutes and will be followed by 5 minutes of discussion.

The participants are kindly requested to use ppt, pptx or pdf as formats. You can send your presentation until 14th September 2025 to <u>asmosia14@guest.arnes.si</u>.

Posters

The poster size should be exactly 70 cm (width) x 100 cm (height). Please consider at least 3 cm margins for the content. <u>Snap poster frames</u> will be namely used at the conference. Dedicated poster sessions of 1.30 hours each will be organized on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon; however, the posters in each session will be up and visitable for two days each.

Conference proceedings

The Organizing Committee will take care of the publication of the conference proceedings which will include oral and poster presentations, without distinction, after peer reviewing.





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Norman Herz Student Poster Prizes

The ASMOSIA Association is pleased to offer the Norman Herz Student Poster Prizes, named after the late first ASMOSIA president. It will be awarded to the best two student posters and will consist of $300 \notin$ for the first and $200 \notin$ for the second.

Students who are interested in competing for these awards should declare this with the submission of the abstract. Please find attached the instructions. The student posters will be evaluated by a group of experts appointed by the Executive Committee.

Grants to attend the ASMOSIA XIV conference at Ljubljana

ASMOSIA will offer three grants of 700 € each, for young researchers to facilitate their participation in the ASMOSIA XIV conference at Ljubljana (15th–19th September 2025).

The grants are addressed to the following young researchers:

- Post-graduate students of any degree.
- Post-doctoral fellows in Universities or Research Institutes, having received their Doctoral degree no longer than 5 years before the date of the conference.
- Young researchers, with or without a contract at a University or Research Institute and up to the age of 35 years.
- All applicants should have an accepted abstract at the conference (oral or poster) and should be the first author of the paper.
- They should not have their full expenses to attend the conference paid by other sources (University, Institute or other funding organization).

All those eligible should fill out the appropriate application form (please find it attached) and send it to the President of ASMOSIA (<u>y.maniatis@inn.demokritos.gr</u>).

Registration fees

Registration and conference fees payment will be possible only online, between **15th April and 30th June 2025**. Registration is mandatory for all participants. For each accepted paper (oral or poster presentation), at least one author has to register in full and be present at the conference. Posters sent by post or brought to the conference by other people will not be accepted.

ASMOSIA XIV offers only full 5-day conference passes (15th–19th September 2025) for active ASMOSIA members. The conference fee for regular participants is 150 €.

Students can register at a discounted rate of 50 \in .

The conference fee for accompanying persons is $50 \in$. Accompanying persons who would like to attend the conference will have to register as regular participants.

Participation to the conference requires a minimum membership fee of $20 \notin$ to ASMOSIA applicable to all (see below).





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Conference fee for regular participants and students includes:

- attendance at the conference sessions
- coffee breaks at the conference
- conference kit
- book of abstracts
- entrance fee at the City Museum of Ljubljana
- opening reception on 15th September 2025
- afternoon programme on 17th September 2025 if you choose the archaeological or the geological tour of Ljubljana or the visit of the Restoration Centre. For the trip to the Podpeč quarry and the pile dwelling exhibition MorostIg a contribution of 30 € per participant is foreseen.

Conference fee for accompanying persons includes:

- opening reception on 15th September 2025
- afternoon programme on 17th September 2025 if you choose the archaeological tour of Ljubljana and of the City Museum of Ljubljana or the geological tour of Ljubljana. For the tour to the Podpeč quarry and the pile dwelling exhibition MorostIg a contribution of 30 € per participant is foreseen.

Charged extra

- conference dinner on 18th September 2025: 50 \in
- trip to the Podpeč quarry and the pile dwelling exhibition MorostIg (5 h) on 17th September 2025 afternoon: 30 € (but you can choose one of three other tours which are free of charge: archaeological or geological tour of Ljubljana or visit to the Restoration Centre)
- full day excursion to Šempeter, Celje, Vitanje, Hudinja, Črešnjevec with included lunch on 20th September 2025: 80 €.

More info at: <u>https://asmosia14.si/conference-registration/</u>

ASMOSIA membership compulsory for participation to the conference

All participants of the conference including students should be active members of ASMOSIA. The minimum ASMOSIA membership fee allowing you to participate in the conference is $20 \notin$ for the years that pass from one to another conference, in this case 2025-2027.

The fee applies to both, new members and renewing ones (updating from whenever). It can be paid either directly to the Association's bank account in advance or before check-in at the conference in Ljubljana.





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General schedule and venues

The conference takes place from the 15th until the 20th of September 2025 in Ljubljana (Slovenia). The main conference venue is at the Faculty of Law, Poljanski nasip 2, in the city centre of Ljubljana (Red Hall at the first floor). Please check the general schedule and other conference locations here below.

Monday,	Tuesday,	Wednesday,	Thursday,	Friday,	Saturday,
15th Sept. 2025	16th Sept. 2025	17th Sept. 2025	18th Sept. 2025	19th Sept. 2025	20th Sept. 2025
8.00-9.00	9.00-13.00	9.00-13.00	9.00-13.00	9.00-14.00	8.00-20.00
 8.00-9.00 Conference check-in 9.00-13.00 Welcome addresses and oral presentations 14.30-18.00 Oral presentations Location: Faculty of Law, Poljanski nasip 2, Ljubljana 19.30 Welcome reception Location: City Museum of Ljubljana, Gosposka ulica 15, Ljubljana 	9.00-13.00 Oral presentations 14.30-16.00 Poster session A 16.00-18.00 Oral presentations Location: Faculty of Law, Poljanski nasip 2, Ljubljana	 9.00-13.00 Oral presentations Location: Faculty of Law, Poljanski nasip 2, Ljubljana 14.30 Tour of your choice: a) Archaeological tour of Ljubljana (3 h) b) Geological tour of Ljubljana (1.30 h) c) Visit of the Restoration Centre (1.30 h) d) Trip with fee (30 € per participant) to Podpeč and MorostIg (5 h) 	 9.00-13.00 Oral presentations 14.30-16.00 Poster session B 16.00-18.00 Oral presentations Location: Faculty of Law, Poljanski nasip 2, Ljubljana 19.00 Conference dinner (50 € per participant) Location: Ljubljana Castle 	9.00-14.00 Oral presentations 15.30-17.30 ASMOSIA Membership Meeting and Awarding Norman Herz Student Poster Prizes, closing of the conference Location: Faculty of Law, Poljanski nasip 2, Ljubljana	 8.00-20.00 Full day excursion to Šempeter, Celje, Vitanje, Hudinja, Črešnjevec with included lunch (80 € per participant) Meeting point: Ilirska ulica drop- off and pick-up point, Ilirska ulica 2. Ljubljana

Travel and public transport

Ljubljana is well connected by train and international bus lines (Flixbus and others). The main bus and train station is in the city centre.

Ljubljana has its airport, which is connected by bus to the city centre.





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Other possible airports, which are not far away and are connected with Ljubljana mostly by GoOpti shuttle transport, are Zagreb, Trieste, Venezia, Treviso and Graz.

Passengers wanting to ride Ljubljana city buses of the Ljubljana public transportation company (LPP) can use a Mastercard or Visa card to pay for their fare on the bus, but only the Urbana city card or app will still allow them to change buses for free: <u>https://sloveniatimes.com/40028/ljubljana-city-buses-now-take-bank-cards</u>.

Accommodation

The main conference venue at the Faculty of Law (Poljanski nasip 2, Ljubljana) is in the city centre of Ljubljana, where you can find many accommodations in different price ranges:

<u>https://www.visitljubljana.com/en/visitors/travel-</u> information/accommodation/?Category=&taxonomy%5B%5D=32

Ljubljana also has a quality choice of bed & breakfast properties, well-rated youth hostels and Airbnb units, many of which are found in the downtown area.

Ljubljana is a touristic city: please make your reservation in time!

You can get professional support for organizing your stay at the Ljubljana Tourist Information Centre (web: <u>https://www.visitljubljana.com/en/poi/ljubljana-tourist-information-centre-tic/;</u> phone: +386 01 306 12 15; email: <u>tic@visitljubljana.si</u>).

Deadlines

- 15th January 2025: Submission of paper abstracts
- 15th April 2025: Author notification
- 30th June 2025: Registration for at least one author of each accepted paper

Please check out the conference's website: <u>https://asmosia14.si/</u>.

Please follow the conference Facebook profile: <u>https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61565926760435</u>.

For further information please contact: <u>asmosia14@guest.arnes.si</u>.

In the name of the Organizing Committee,

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