

	Monday, 20.07.2026		
start	D1.01	D1.02	D1.03
9:00	D01.01: Opening ceremony with Prof. Alex Weissensteiner (Rektor Unibz), Dott. Mara Nemala (Dir. Fondazione Dolomites UNESCO), Prof. Camilla Wellstein (UniBZ), Dr. Evelyn Kustatscher (TLM), Prof. Annalisa Ferretti (Pres. SPI), Prof. Alexander Nützel (Pres. PalGes), Prof. Gerald Auer (ÖPG), Prof. Torsten Scheyer (Pres. SPS), David Gruber (NMS)		
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9:30	Gomez Correa et al.: Shallow-marine ostracods during the Permian–Triassic climate crisis in the Southern Alps	Neubauer & Harzhauser: Terra incognita of deep time: mapping the uncharted frontiers of the Phanerozoic shallow-marine fossil record	Camanni et al.: The Early Pliocene Accipitridae (Aves, Accipitriformes) from Langebaanweg, south-western
9:45			Cirilli et al.: Dawn of a dynasty: the origin and early evolution of the Afro-Eurasian hipparion three-toed
10:00	Lehnert et al.: The Latest Cambrian through Tremadocian in the Eastern Precordillera of Western	Kocsis et al.: An Extensible Earth Data Entity Network	Croitor et al.: No heroic “Out-of-Africa” dispersal, just a passive Afrotropical realm extension follow-up
10:15	Kranmer: Reevaluation of the brackish “Oncophora (=Rzehakia) Beds” in the Bavarian North Alpine	Macaluso et al.: simTax: a novel tool to measure weighted taxonomic similarity among fossil	Iannucci et al.: New insights on late Early Pleistocene carnivorans of Europe from the hyenas of Pirro Nord
10:30	Briguglio et al.: Giant Bathysiphon (Foraminiferida) and associated ichnodiversity in the Building Stones of	Mandic et al.: Biodiversity forcing by the small mountain ranges: patterns from the Miocene	Marchitelli et al.: A preliminary analysis of the palaeoherpetofauna from Bone Cave, Pleistocene of
10:45	Raimondi et al.: Pliocene-Pleistocene planktonic foraminiferal biostratigraphy from ODP Site 967:	Mondal et al.: Faunal restructuring in the aftermath of the Arabian hotspot collapse: Patterns from western	Minniti et al.: Reconstructing the Life and Death of Palaeoloxodon ex gr. falconeri: New Evidence from the
11:00	coffee break	coffee break	coffee break
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11:30	Girone et al.: Planktonic foraminifera response to orbital and millennial-scale climate variability in the	Hagen, Oskar: Deutero-gen3sis: A Grammar for Biotic Forcing of the Geosphere	Parparousi et al.: New perspectives on Dama-Like deer from the latest Early Pleistocene: taxonomy,
11:45	Mazzini & Parisi: Ostracod-Based Palaeoenvironmental Reconstruction of the Corinth Rift During the Last 450		Rössner: The rise and fall of Miocene tragulids: recent advances in paleobiology
12:00	Arena et al.: Multiproxy insights into the initial stage of the Oligocene transgression of the central-eastern	Guo & Kiessling: Global patterns are key to understanding macroevolution	Siarabi et al.: Suid dispersals into the Vallès-Penedès Basin around the Aragonian/Vallesian transition
12:15	Vitolo et al.: Circalittoral benthic foraminiferal and ostracod assemblages from the Gulf of Pozzuoli	Pyko & Kiessling: Climate cascades across time: a multi-scale synthesis of climate-driven extinction	Sorbelli & Bibi: The Rise and Fall of the Old-World Savanna Paleobiome through Tragoportacin Bovids
12:30	Auer at al. Middle–Late Miocene Nutrient Cycle Changes and Their Impact on Indian Ocean	Dimitrijevic & Kiessling: Reef crises and marine biodiversity loss	Buchwitz et al.: Approaches to trackmaker evolution
12:45	lunch break	Mariani et al.: Skeletal assemblage shifts within persistent reef framework across Cenozoic warming	Dal Sasso et al.: First record of dinosaur footprints in Lombardy (Italy): the exceptionally rich Stelvio
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13:45	Karapunar: Regionally heterogeneous food web restructuring across the Permian–Triassic mass	Patzkowsky: Interpreting the Causes and Timing of Mass Extinctions: The Role of Species Ecology and Stratigraphic Architecture	Meyer et al.: The vertebrate track record of the Norian Dolomia Principale/Hautpdlomit of Italy and
14:00	Scheyer et al.: Jadersdorf biota – an emerging Middle Triassic ‘Monte San Giorgio-type’ vertebrate		Castanera et al.: New dinosaur tracks in the Late Jurassic Cañadón Calcáreo Formation (Argentina): the
14:15	Dalla Vecchia & Cau: A NEW ARCHOSAUR (REPTILIA, DIAPSIDA) FROM THE TRIASSIC OF AUSTRIA	Warnock et al.: The impact of speciation mode on macroevolutionary rates through time	Etzler et al.: Decoding the Late Cretaceous Austroalpine Palaeoenvironment: Evidence from
14:30	Furrer: The Prosanto Formation near Davos - an amazing Middle Triassic Konservat-Lagerstätte in the	Capobianco & Höhna: Total-evidence tip-dating reveals macroevolutionary dynamics in deep-sea	Krapovickas et al.: Integrative ichnological reconstruction of Miocene paleoecosystems in the
14:45	Pople et al.: A three-dimensional reconstruction of the skull of Neusticosaurus pusillus, the archetypal	Darlim et al.: Assessment of Notosuchia phylogenetics through tip-dating Bayesian inference	Belvedere et al.: Introducing the Central Mediolateral Line: quantification of sauropod footpad complexity
15:00	Rauhut et al.: New finds of basal sauropodomorph dinosaurs from the Late Triassic of Thuringia, Germany	Marx et al.: Ecological, behavioural, and phylogenetic links to cochlear shape variation in odontocetes	Sciscio & Marques: Morphology, preservation and machine learning in vertebrate ichnology
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15:45	Bestwick et al.: A Late Triassic fossil mud trap from Switzerland reveals sauropodomorph dinosaurs	Haug C. et al.: Large questions require large-scale comparisons: an example from quantitative morphology in Euarthropoda	Hörnig et al.: Challenges in imaging of insect amber inclusions
16:00	Guerra et al.: NEW INSIGHTS INTO PROTOSTEGID (PANCHELONIOIDEA) EVOLUTION FROM UPPER		Clarke et al.: A new ornithopod dinosaur species and theropod-rich egg assemblage from the mid-
16:15	Monti et al.: Latest Oligocene amphibians from Coderet (France)	Pasinetti: Hiding between the fronds: secrets of the "Ediacaran Garden"	Jung et al.: More than a pattern - chorionic microstructure of insect eggs in Eocene amber
16:30	Barbini et al.: Analysis of the endocranial anatomy of the Miocene European crocodylian Diplocynodon	Kimmig & Bicknell: The Cambrian fecal revolution: Fuel for the Cambrian Radiation	Trotolo et al.: Cracking the enigma: ancient proteins reveal the identity of Early Pliocene fossil eggshells
16:45	Navarro Rodríguez et al.: INVESTIGATING THE GENERIC AFFINITIES OF EUROPEAN MIOCENE CHAMELEONS	Cervellieri et al.: Unravelling biomineralization processes in modern brachiopods: integrating	Rocchi et al.: Detailed neuroanatomy at the base of the crocodylian radiation provides new perspectives
17:00	Villa & Vasilyan: The diversity of Late Miocene squamates in the eastern Alps: new occurrences from	Kiessling et al.: The Lilliput effect and the illusion of size selective extinction	Zazzera et al.: Diving capacities of an extinct marine turtle: comparative study on bony elements of
17:15	Gauweiler & Kustatscher: An Overview of alpine terrestrial reptiles during the Carnian Pluvial Episode		Gobbo et al.: The first detailed description of the rostral neurovascular system in a sauropod dinosaur:
17:30	Poster session (17:30-19.30)		
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	Tuesday, 21.07.2026		
start	Aula Magna	C2.01	C2.06
8:45	Aula Magna: Keynote: Valentina Rossi: In the Darkness Bind Them: Deciphering Melanin Molecular Taphonomy		
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9:45	Schwab et al.: Back to the water - mosaic evolution of the inner ear and cervical spine during the	Pauly et al.: Sea urchins from the Chesterian regional stage (Visean/Serpukhovian) of the USA	Messina et al.: Paleoart strategies for communication: an interactive installation from the Paleontological Museum of the University of Calabria
10:00	Colledanchise Masella et al.: Weighing a Pleistocene giant: digital body mass estimation in	De Baets et al.: Palaeoparasitological potential of Permian-Triassic vertebrate coprolites	
10:15	Alfieri & Veneziano: Unlocking fossil bone archives: advanced visualisation and extraction protocols to	Della Giustina & Fischer: Abiotic drivers of cranial functional disparity in Mesozoic marine reptiles	Baglioni & Braga: Investigating misconceptions in palaeontology for education and science
10:30	Contessi et al.: RTI a new tool for imaging fossil tracks	Le Pallec et al.: Preliminary insights into the Carnian palynology of the Dolomites	Quarto et al.: Rediscovery of invertebrate fossils from Italian geological expeditions of 19th and
10:45	coffee break	coffee break	coffee break
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11:15	Bath Enright et al.: Shedding new light on the preservation of the enigmatic hydrozoan medusae	Doubrawa et al.: Environmental evolution of the U.S. Atlantic Coastal Plain from the late Paleocene	Gerbe et al.: Reinvestigation of an assemblage of phosphatised Ordovician arthropodans from Öland
11:30	Branz et al.: Fungal colonization of plant fossils: implications for preservation and conservation	Sanfilippo et al.: Serpulid bioconstructions as proxies of pre-evaporitic stress: insights from the	Mueller et al.: Life on the edge of a supervolcano: study of lower Permian bioturbations at Sesto
11:45	Ianni et al.: The oldest fossil insect from Italy: description and comparative study of a	Gebhardt et al.: Paleoecological changes based on micro- and nannofossil assemblages during the	Seidl et al.: Light availability controls multi-decadal trends in crustose coralline algal cell elongation
12:00	Maruca et al.: Characterization of Mediterranean coralligenous bioconstructions by lipid biomarkers:	Delfino et al.: Resilience and turnover of the reptiles in the Aldabra Atoll (Seychelles)	De Leo et al.: Not what they eat, but where they live: habitat, not diet, drives cranial evolution in
12:15	lunch break	Melis et al.: Environmental and anthropogenic controls on benthic foraminifera: a comparison	lunch break
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13:15		Foggetti et al.: On the southern margin of the Central Pangaea Mountains: Integrated macrofossil	
13:30	Mehta et al.: Ancient chitin in 1.0 billion-year-old protist reveals the organic scaffold for skeletal	Foraponova et al.: Earliest and new Willsiostrobus with in situ pollen from the Early Triassic of	Serena De Maria et al.: Unusual Guests at the Antena Banquet: hidden theropod diversity in the
13:45	Palmer et al.: Microbial Controls on Pine Needle Preservation Across Redox Conditions	Giehl et al.: A diverse Carnian (Late Triassic) flora from Monte Pora (Southern Alps, Italy):	Gigante et al.: Triceratops and Torosaurus synonymy and possible implications for
14:00	Rossi et al.: Understanding the frontier of molecular preservation of melanin in deep time	Kustatscher et al.: Terrestrial floras during the Carnian Pluvial Episode in the Northern Calcareous	Zanirato et al.: A Forgotten Giant: Anatomy, Taphonomy, and History of a Temnodontosaurus
14:15	Böhmer et al.: Covariation in the craniomandibular system of seals	Kunzmann et al.: Fossil Magnolia (Magnoliaceae) from Paleogene subtropical evergreen broadleaved	Gottardo et al.: Craniocervical biomechanics of Ouranosaurus nigeriensis (Dinosauria:
14:30	Falk et al.: Ecological implications of soft tissues in anurans and fish from the Eocene Geiseltal	Teichert et al.: Decoupling long-term climate forcing and event-scale disturbance in coralline	Berto et al.: New sauropod and theropod specimens from the Turonian Portezuelo
14:45	Fröbisch et al.: Exceptional soft tissue preservation from the terrestrial early Permian of the Thuringian	Konrad & Roth-Nebelsick: Palaeoecological Context as a Basis for CO ₂ Reconstruction from Fossil Plants	coffee break
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15:30	Hu et al.: First paleohistology study of the regeneration tail in an early-branching	Nowak et al.: The origin of dinoflagellates and the biological affinities of acritarchs	Audo & Pavia: The Late Miocene Accipitridae (Aves, Accipitriformes) from the Gargano Terre
15:45	Klug & Fuchs: Exceptional preservation of Mesozoic cephalopods as important sources of	Barreiro et al.: The Cisuralian of the Southern Alps: A supervolcano complex key for Permian	Nobile et al.: A local peregrine: a second record of Squalodon peregrinus Dal Piaz, 1971 from the Colle
16:00	Magnani & Ragni: A new specimen of Lariosaurus with skin preserved from the Middle Triassic of	Delfosse-Allain et al.: The invertebrate Paleozoic–Mesozoic fossil record of pre-	Orcutt: Sexual Dimorphism in German Palaeogale
16:15	Muscioni et al.: Functional significance of the hadrosaur beak: a micro-ct study of Tethyshadros	Schneebeli-Hermann et al.: Palynology of the Siles Section, Jaén, Andalusia, Spain	Rotatori et al.: Island of ‘Dragons’: diversity of iguanodontian dinosaurs from the Lower
16:30	Schmitz et al.: Reconstructing Sensory Ecology in Temnospondyli: Insights from the Osteological	Ruiu et al.: Palynological insights from a Dinosaur Fossil-Lagerstätte (Villaggio del Pescatore,	Segurado Broquetas et al.: Preliminary study of the ungulate remains (Artiodactyla and Perissodactyla)
16:45		Borgognone et al.: Pollen record of the Last Interglacial Complex from Valle di Castiglione	De Sario et al.: Resizing the predators: estimation of body mass and in-vivo reconstruction of two
17:00	Ismene Seeberg-Elverfeldt: DFG national and international projects		
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17:30	Poster session (17:30-19.30)		
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20:00	Museum of Nature South Tyrol (outreach talk): Federico Fanti: Dinosauri ai raggi X: le nuove frontiere della paleontologia: 20:-22:00		
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	Wednesday, 22.07.2026		
start	Aula Magna	D1.01	D1.02
8:45	Aula Magna: Keynote: Derek Briggs: Opening and closing taphonomic windows		
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9:45	Fu et al.: Taphonomic insights into Burgess Shale-type preservation: Evidence from the Cambrian	Schwarzhans & Carnevale: 66 million years of evolutionary interactions in teleost fishes	Reddin et al: A ‘control-treatment’ approach can unite neo- and paleo-biology to reveal how marine life responds to global warming
10:00	Izzo et al.: Chinese Radiodonts in Canada? The Early Cambrian Mural Formation and the first giant		
10:15	Kerp et al.: Preservation in the Rhynie chert – An Early Devonian hot-spring ecosystem frozen in time	Calzoni et al.: The Chiavon Lagerstätten (Vicenza, N Italy): A forgotten tropical ichthyofauna of the	Kocáková et al.: Extinction mechanisms of sharks and rays: The role of age and geographic range
10:30	Franke et al.: Indirect evidence for predation on crinoids from the Lower Devonian Hunsrück Slate,	Ridolfi et al.: The first fossil tube-eye fish (Teleostei, Stylephoriformes)	Danise et al.: Molluscan biodiversity in the Mediterranean Sea during the Last Interglacial
10:45	coffee break	coffee break	coffee break
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11:15	Bel Haouz et al.: A highly diverse Asterozoan ichnofauna from the Famennian Aoufilal Lagerstätte	Cawley: The fishes of St. Margarethen: an overview of the biodiversity of fishes from a Middle Miocene	Zuschin et al.: Late Pleistocene coral reefs of the Egyptian coast of the northern Red Sea: limited
11:30	Lagnaoui et al.: A remarkable arthropod resting trace fossil from the Famennian Aoufilal Lagerstätte	von Ehr et al.: Micro-CT assisted osteological analysis of the extant dwarf goby Corcyrogobius	Bachmann et al.: The fragmentary fossil record of echinoderms: reconstructing Holocene communities
11:45	Mussini & Butterfield: Exceptionally preserved biotas from North Dakota reveal cryptic Ordovician	Carnevale et al.: A new marine otophysan fish (Teleostei: Ostariophysi) from the Eocene of Bolca,	Nawrot et al.: Temporal resolution of deep-sea invertebrate and otolith death assemblages from
12:00	Chellouche et al.: The Piesberg in Osnabrück (NW Germany) – a window of exceptional preservation	Bradić-Milinović & Schwarzhans: Fish evolution in the Serbian Lake System during from the late Early	Schweigl et al.: Holocene turnover of molluscan communities in the northeastern Adriatic Sea in
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13:30	Reitner Prof Dr: Taphonomy of microbial structures within alpine Triassic Black Shales	Norton et al.: The fossil record of armoured catfishes (Callichthyidae).	Scarponi et al.: When high live-dead agreement reflects sedimentary memory loss: molluscan
13:45	Franceschi et al.: Unraveling the exceptional preservation of the Sinemurian (Jurassic) Osteno	Yang et al.: The origin and early evolution of endemic snow carp (Cyprinidae, Schizothoracinae) in	Altieri et al.: Spatial variability of benthic foraminiferal assemblages along a coast–offshore
14:00	Linhart et al.: Snakefly larvae of the Cretaceous – past development was more gradually than	Wu et al.: Palaeoichthyological Discoveries in the Tethyan Himalaya Region of the Mesozoic era	Bracchi & Basso: Bioconstructions in Conservation Paleobiology near-time perspective
14:15	Fanti et al.: Monsoon-driven genesis of a Cretaceous dinosaur Lagerstätte	Conedera et al.: Late Ladinian (Middle Triassic) Alpine ichthyofaunas compared	Mulè et al.: Preliminary report on dental calculus analyses in mammutid and gomphothere teeth from
14:30	Wings et al.: New volcanic lake Fossil-Lagerstätten from the Late Cretaceous of Northern Cape, South	Giles & Fasey: Revisiting parasemionotid (Actinopterygii) anatomy and relationships using X-	Haug: Quantitative morphology provides a diversity measure that is sensitive where taxonomic
14:45	Wedmann et al.: Paleogene hymenopteran insects: diversity and interactions with flowers	Giritzer & Kriwet: First Campanian record of gars (Neopterygii, Lepisosteiformes) from the Late	Fontana et al.: A palaeoecological approach to inform nature conservation in alpine areas
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15:30	Benites Palomino et al.: Shark feeding traces on Eocene archaeocetes from the Pisco Basin	Villalobos-Segura et al.: Sharks, rays and skates in deep time: phylogeny, divergence times and rates of	Hu & Yasuhara: From Static Labels to Dynamic Retrieval for Taxonomy: Introducing the Ostracod
15:45	Reich et al.: The world’s first molpadid holothurian body fossil (Echinodermata) – discovered at the		
16:00	Ferretti et al.: Born in Calcium, Preserved in Iron: Microbial Pathways to Skeletal Fossilization	McCormack et al.: Deep-sea Megalodon teeth provide clues regarding the extinction of the gigantic	Carniti et al.: Application of Large Language Models to palaeontological taxonomy: test cases with
16:15	Assemat et al.: 40 years of conservation in the Southern Alps (South East France) : Progress,	Marramà et al.: The oldest Neogene vertebrate assemblage of the Pisco Basin, Peru	Schuessler & Neubauer: A framework for species delimitation in fossil gastropods using machine
16:30	Zippel: New finds of wood-associated beetle larvae	Amalfitano et al.: Neighbours but strangers: late Paleocene-early Eocene chondrichthyan	Dirnberger et al.: Exploring hamster diversification and diversity with Bayesian and deep learning
16:45		Fischer et al.: The fossil shark egg capsule Fayolia and the curious case of Fayolia bohémica from the	Baucon et al.: Ecosystem dynamics in the Permian Bolzano caldera (Italy): an integrated ichnological
17:00		PalGes Society Meeting	SPI Society Meeting
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17:30	PaleoPizza Night: 18:00-21:00		
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	Thursday, 23.07.2026		
start	Aula Magna	D1.01	D1.02
8:45	Aula Magna: Keynote: Nikolay Oskolkov: aDNA as a tool for paleoecology		
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9:45	Suarez & Hautmann: Non-random extinction restructured the bivalve tree of life during the end-Permian mass extinction: evidence from taxonomic distinctness	Grabensteiner et al.: Palaeobiogeography of Early Cretaceous hybodontiform	Indelicato et al.: The "Alpine cave bear period" in Northern Italy: morphometric and
10:00		Stumpf et al.: Revisiting a classic: The visceral skeleton of the Early Jurassic chondrichthyan	Loddi et al.: Maximizing the data of dental microwear analysis in fossil carnivores: the giant
10:15	Coan et al.: The d’Orbignys and their molluscs	El Fassi El Fehri et al.: A transoceanic ray-finned fish reveals a high diversity of macropredatory	Nagel et al.: “Exotic” mammals as climate marker in the Late Pleistocene
10:30	Nützel et al.: On the biota and facies of the Late Triassic Heiligkreuz Formation at its type locality	Sánchez-Villagra et al.: Unsuspected diversity and ghost lineages in the fossil record of Cenozoic	Pacher: Audited evidence of cave bear and additional faunal elements in the Alpine region
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11:15	Klug et al.: Cephalopod body size in deep time	Workshop CRITIS	Sabol et al.: Man and bears - preliminary results from fossil bear research at the palaeolithic sites
11:30	Hausmann et al.: Detailed examination of bicuspid hooks in Hoploscaphites cf.		van Heteren & Villalba de Alvarado: Functional morphology of Pleistocene and Holocene brown
11:45	Pohle et al.: The missing F: Form, Formation and Function of cephalopod cameral deposits		Villaluenga et al.: CAVE BEARS AND HUMANS, INHABITANTS OF THE WESTERN PYRENEES
12:00	Schulbert & Korte: Carbon and Oxygen Isotope Trends of Upper Toarcian to Lower Aalenian		Vincenzi et al.: Palaeoecological insights into the giant deer (Megaloceros giganteus): the Italian
12:15	Chiari et al.: A first insight into Mid-Piacenzian Warm Period seasonality: Clumped isotope		
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13:30	Aula Magna: Round table discussion: Future of Paleontology		
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14:30	Aula Magna: Closing Ceremony with award ceremony: 1430-15:30		
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