First circular

Czech Geological Survey and RADON v.o.s. organize the

11th INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP on the GEOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF RADON RISK MAPPING

September 18th – 20th(22nd), 2012 Prague, Czech Republic

+ RIM - Radon Intercomparison

Measurements at Radon Reference Sites

September 17th, 2012

It is certainly possible to participate both in the Workshop and in RIM, or only in the Workshop or only in the RIM

WEBPAGE: www.radon.eu/workshop2012

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IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

Second announcement March 2012
Deadline for paper submission June 15, 2012
Deadline for lower registration fee June 15, 2012

PROGRAMME

September 16th (Sunday) – Registration for RIM (17,00-19,00)

September 17th (Monday) – Registration for RIM (8,00-9,30), Field Measurements

Registration for Workshop (18,30-20,30)

September 18th (Tuesday) – Registration for Workshop (8,00-9,30), Sessions

September 19th (Wednesday) – Sessions, workshop dinner

September 20th (Thursday) – Sessions, Roundtable discussions, conclusions

September 21st – 22nd (Friday and Saturday) – Two days field excursion, optional

WORKSHOP - GENERAL TOPICS

- RADON RISK MAPPING
- NATIONAL STRATEGIES, APPROACHES TO RADON RISK
- METHODS OF MEASUREMENTS, CLASSIFICATION OF RADON RISK
- INDOOR RADON GEOLOGY RELATIONSHIPS, FACTORS INFLUENCING THE RADON ENTRY INTO HOUSES
- RADON RISK PREVENTIVE MEASURES AND REMEDIATION
- RADON MEASUREMENTS FOR OTHER PURPOSES (EARTHQUAKE PREDICTION, RADON AS A NATURAL TRACER, MINING AREAS, URANIUM PROSPECTION)

Due to our common experiences from last workshops, we would like to ask you for oral presentations (15 min) or short oral presentations combined with a poster (10 min+poster) and/or poster.

For the closing day of the workshop, we would like to prepare meaningful roundtable discussions (probably two parallel each time), where we would discuss following questions:

EUROPEAN GEOGENIC RADON MAP

- State of the art of the geological classification against the OneGeology classes for the involved countries
- First results of the (risk) classification maps per country + how to advance for the others

RADON IN SOIL GAS – METHODS OF SOIL GAS SAMPLING AND THEIR IMPACT ON MEASUREMENT RESULTS

With respect to future cooperation and preparation of research projects proposals, participants are kindly asked to propose other topics for discussions.

VENUE

The conference will be held in the beautiful city of Prague, capital of the Czech Republic, at the conference hall of the Hotel DAP (the same as in 2010). The hotel is located in the western part of central Prague, near the Prague Castle, the dominant symbol of Prague, in the direction to the Ruzyne airport, close by to the Dejvicka underground station (line A). It is also well served by tram and buses.



Hotel DAP

Vitezne sq. No. 4/684, 161 00 Prague 6

ACCOMMODATION

On site accommodations (i.e. directly at the Hotel DAP, medium/low price) is possible but limited in number to 80 - 90 participants. See

- <u>www.daphotel.cz</u> and click on "English" or directly:
- www.daphotel.cz/index.php?/english

For more information please contact Mrs. Steinertova, the representative of Hotel DAP, e-mail: steinertova@vkp.vlrz.cz, and mention "radon workshop"

The direct neighbourhood has also a large number of excellent hotels, pensions, hostels, which you can find via internet (we recommend to concentrate on accommodation in the central parts of Prague – Prague 1 and/or Prague 6).

RIM - GENERAL INFORMATION

Radon intercomparison measurement will be organized at two reference sites (chosen from three reference sites established in 2000, located 60 km SW of Prague near the city Milín in the Czech Republic, accessible for cars). During this RIM we would like to focus not only on comparison of resulting soil-gas radon concentrations, but on the sampling methods themselves.

Radon intercomparison measurement will be organized for single participants or groups of participants.

Results of tests will be anonymous, each participant (group) will be denoted by a code.

Benefits of participation in radon comparison measurement are:

- Radon comparison with international expert community.
- The use of two well documented radon reference sites fulfilling geological requirements.
- Based on 20-year experience in periodical radon comparison measurement 1992-1999, and 2000-2011.
- Tests by computer programme TestMOAR based on statistics, compiled by the Institute of Applied Mathematics and Computer Technique, Faculty of Science, Charles University in Prague.

More detailed information will be available at the workshop webpage, details will be discussed with all participants of RIM via e-mail.

Accommodation: Please, take into consideration, that "only" one—day intercomparison is hold this year. Suitable accommodation, just in the area of radon reference sites, is available in "Hotel u Milina" (www.hotelumilina.cz), but there will be certainly a possibility of transport from Prague.

Workshop field excursion

Workshop field excursion will be organized in two days, because this time we will visit a place interesting from the radioactivity point of view far from Prague.

Expected time of departure – Friday, September, 21^{st} , at about 9,00 in the morning Expected time of arrival to Prague - Saturday, 22^{nd} , at about 17,00 in the afternoon More detailed information will be available at the worshop webpage and will follow in the second circular.

REGISTRATION FEE and INSTRUCTION for PAYMENT

The registration fee for the workshop (360 \in if paid after June 15, 2012, 310 \in if paid before) covers the workshop program, the book of abstracts, refreshments during the sessions and the workshop dinner. Accommodation is not included in the registration fee.

The fee for the field excursion – optional activity – 165 € if paid after June 15, 2012, 140 € if paid before) covers the whole excursion (including accommodation).

The fee for RIM - (280 $\ \in$ if paid after June 15, 2012, 240 $\ \in$ if paid before) means a fee for an independent participant or for two participants in one measuring group. The fee for each another one (third, fourth ..., participant in the same measuring group) is 50 $\ \in$. Accommodation is not included in the registration fee.

In order to confirm your registration, a proof of payment (photocopy of bank transfer) should be sent to RADON v.o.s. (via e-mail: radon@comp.cz), accepting the given conditions of payment and cancellations. Participants are kindly asked to indicate clearly the name of the person for whom the services are booked in the bank document sent. Payments can only be accepted in Euros. Only total payment guarantees registration, i.e. any bank expenses for issuing a transfer must be paid in full by participants.

Cancellation and requests for refunds should be made in writing and sent to RADON v.o.s.. Those made before 30 August 2012, will be refunded at 80 % of the original sum. After that date no refunds will be possible. All bank charges will be deducted from the refund. Refunds will be issued after the Workshop (15th October 2012).

Payment - by bank transfer (the payee name ... RADON v.o.s.)

The bank name: KOMERCNI BANKA

The bank address: POBOCKA PRAHA - PODVINNY MLYN

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Account number: 35-6485850237/0100

Swift (BIC): KOMBCZPPXXX

IBAN code: CZ9501000000356485850237 Var.symbol/details of payment: 340112

There would be also a possibility to pay cash at the registration, but those participants should also send us the registration form in advance (the number of participants, especially in case of RIM and the field excursion, is limited!).

CALL FOR PAPERS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUTHORS

The language of the conference will be English.

Authors are kindly asked to send their contributions (extended abstracts) as camera ready file, e-mail attachment (best in Word 6. or higher, for high quality print, black+white, A4 format, 2.5 cm margins on all sides). Please do not number the pages. The papers should not extend 10 pages including figures, tables and references.

Contributions (extended abstracts) should be submitted by the 15th of June, 2012. The volume of the extended abstracts will be made available during the workshop.

For further contacts, please, send us the registration form on the next page (via e-mail, fax, or directly through the workshop webpage). Please fill in your e-mail with attention as it is the most effective way how to contact you (participants without e-mail will be contacted via fax or post mail).

REGISTRATION FORM

I shall take part in - the workshop field excursion RIM
NameMr/Mrs
Full address
Fax
Phone
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Title of my contribution(s):
Names of participants in one measuring group (in case of RIM
participation):

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