

FIRST CIRCULAR

XX Annual Meeting of the European Association of Vertebrate Palaeontologists



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WELCOME!

Dear friends and colleagues,

On behalf of the convenors and the Organizing Committee, it is my pleasure to warmly invite you to attend the XX Conference of the EAVP, which will be hosted by the Institut Català de Paleontologia Miquel Crusafont (ICP) in Sabadell (Catalonia, Spain) during June 26th – July 1st, 2023. Although the exact conference site within the city of Sabadell has yet to be determined, we open in this circular the call for roundtables, workshops, and symposia on specific topics.

The ICP is a public research center of the CERCA system (Research Centers of Catalonia), funded by the Catalan government (Generalitat de Catalunya) and linked to the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB). One of its two headquarters is located within the UAB campus in Bellaterra (Cerdanyola del Vallès), while the other (where its museum exhibit and collections are housed) is situated in the center of Sabadell. The organization of an international meeting such as the EAVP Conference perfectly aligns with the mission of the ICP, which consists in performing research in vertebrate and human paleontology at an international level while promoting the conservation and dissemination of the paleontological heritage from Catalonia.

Even though the ICP was refounded in its present form in 2006, it has much deeper roots far back in time and owes its existence to Miquel Crusafont-Pairó—the father of the Catalan school of vertebrate paleontology. Initially based at the former City Museum of Sabadell, since the early 1940s Crusafont amassed an impressive collection of fossil vertebrates and performed a meteoric career as a paleontologist, which ultimately led to the establishment of the Instituto Provincial de Paleontología of Sabadell (the ICP's predecessor) in 1969. Crusafont held incredibly modern views by the standards of his time, not only regarding research topics (by adhering to a paleobiological approach inextricably linked to evolution) but also the way of making research (by emphasizing team working and international collaboration). Fully aware of the importance of establishing an extensive network of international collaborators, Crusafont not only visited the most renowned European paleontologists of his time (beginning with his first international tour in 1946), but further invited them to gather in Sabadell during the four successive editions of the Cursos Internacionales de Paleontología (International Short Courses in Paleontology), a series of international workshops that he organized during the 1950s.

As heirs of this Crusafontian tradition that emphasizes international collaboration and networking, the ICP could not miss the opportunity to engage in the organization of an EAVP Conference. I am sure this will be an excellent opportunity to disseminate paleontological knowledge, exchange novel ideas, and establish new collaborations or consolidate pre-existing ones—as it is always the case of EAVP meetings.

I therefore hope that you will be able to attend the meeting and look forward to seeing you in Sabadell. May you have a peaceful and productive end of the year!

David M. Alba
ICP DIRECTOR

DATES AND DEADLINES

Deadline for workshop/roundtable proposals: 31st January 2023

Second circular, open registration, call for abstracts: 15th February 2023

Deadline for abstract submission: 31st March 2023

Deadline early bird registration: 31st March 2023

Abstract decisions: 30th April 2023

Deadline standard registration: 1st June 2023

Third circular: 19th June 2023

20th EAVP conference: 26th June - 1st July 2023

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

	MONDAY June 26th	TUESDAY June 27th	WEDNESDAY June 28th	THURSDAY June 29th	FRIDAY June 30th	SATURDAY July 1st
MORNING	Field trip: "The Permian terrestrial succession of the Catalan Pyrenees"	Workshops, symposia and roundtables	Sessions Coffee Break Sessions	Sessions Coffee Break Sessions	Sessions Coffee Break Sessions	Field trips : "The Miocene high-resolution record of the Vallès-Penedès Basin (Catalonia)" (10:00-18:00h)
AFTERNOON	(8:00-18:00h)	Workshops, symposia and roundtables	Sessions Coffee Break Sessions	Sessions Coffee Break Sessions	Sessions Coffee Break Sessions	or "The Cretaceous ecosystems of the south-Pyrenean basins"
EVENING		Authorities opening / Ice Breaker (18:00-20:00h)		EAVP Assembly and Auction (18:00-20:00h)	Closing ceremony and dinner (18:00h/21:00h)	(8:00-19:00h)

Check our website eavp2023.icp.cat for updates.

ABSTRACT INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUTHORS

We will communicate detailed abstract instructions and have a template online soon at eavp2023.icp.cat. We will only have plain abstracts with 250 words and make them available through Palaeovertebrata, the house journal of the EAVP.

PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCE FORMAT

As for the abstracts, we will make presentation guidelines available online soon. Please, beware that oral communications could be moved to poster sessions if not enough slots are available.

For those of you who cannot attend onsite, we will have some slots available for online presentations. Since these slots will be limited, justified online attendance will be requested.

FEES

	EARLY BIRDS	STANDARD	LATE
Student member	70 €	110 €	140 €
Student non-member	105 €	145 €	165 €
Regular member	90 €	130 €	160 €
Regular non-member	125 €	165 €	185 €

Since registration and payment will be done online upon abstract submission, if an abstract is not accepted the fees will be refunded.

Please, beware that these prices do not include lunch, fieldtrips nor closing dinner. More information on the prices of fieldtrips and closing dinner coming soon on our website eavp2023.icp.cat.

Remember that the EAVP offers grants (Annual Meeting grant and EAVP Research grant) to help cover expenses. More information in future circulars and on the eavp website.

CALL FOR WORKSHOPS, SYMPOSIA AND ROUNDTABLES

We already have one workshop on the table offered by Transmitting Science as well as the traditional Women in Palaeo roundtable (see below), but we also open a call for anyone who would like to organise their own workshop/symposium/roundtable discussion. If you have any ideas, please contact eavp2023@icp.cat before January 31st with a title and brief description of the aim of the workshop/symposium/roundtable.

- 1) **Workshop:** Stepping out of Academia: why, when and how (By: Soledad De Esteban-Trivigno, Transmitting Science)
- 2) **Roundtable:** Women in Palaeo (By: Femke Holwerda, Diversity officer of the EAVP)

FIELD TRIPS

EAVP attendees will be able to choose at least two different fieldtrips from three different options:

- 1) Field trip to the Permian terrestrial succession of the Catalan Pyrenees.
- 2) The Miocene high-resolution record of the Vallès-Penedès Basin (Catalonia).
- 3) The Cretaceous ecosystems of the south-Pyrenean basins.

Option 1 will be offered on Monday June 26th, and options 2 and 3 will be offered simultaneously on Saturday July 1st (see preliminary program above). More information on the routes and prices will be provided soon on our website eavp2023.icp.cat.

HOW TO GET TO SABADELL

Sabadell is one of the largest cities in Catalonia and is located just 20 km north of Barcelona. For this reason, the easiest way to get there is to travel first to Barcelona and then to Sabadell. There are many combinations to get to Sabadell from Barcelona, but here we propose some of the easiest options:

- From the Josep Tarradellas Barcelona – El Prat Airport:

The best option is to take the Aerobús (A1 if you arrive to T1 or A2 if you arrive to T2; **check departure times and fares here**) to the center of Barcelona (Plaça Catalunya).

Once at Plaça Catalunya, you may take the train of Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat de Catalunya (FGC line S2; **check departure times and fares here**) that will take you directly to Sabadell city center (Sabadell Plaça Major station). Note that in Google Maps the location of the stations in Plaça Catalunya are imprecise, and therefore we recommend you to use this map:



The whole trip from Barcelona airport to Sabadell city center using the Aerobús and the Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat de Catalunya should take from one and a half to two hours.

A cheaper, but somewhat slower way: In Terminal T2 of Josep Tarradellas-El Prat airport, take the train of Rodalies de Catalunya (RENFE line R2N; **check departure times and fares here**) to "Barcelona-Sants". In case your flight lands in Terminal 1, there are free shuttle buses to go from Terminal 1 to Terminal 2. See next option on how to continue your trip from Barcelona-Sants to Sabadell.

- From Barcelona-Sants Train Station:

Take the train of the RENFE line R4 towards Terrasa or Manresa to the station "Sabadell Centre".

To go from Barcelona to Sabadell you must buy the 2-zones ticket, either if you take RENFE or FGC trains.

ACCOMMODATION

The city center and ICP museum are located in the commercial center of Sabadell, which is full of restaurants, bars, and shops. Furthermore, there is a good number of emblematic modernist style buildings.

Sabadell has a wide offer of accommodation options from hotels to touristic apartments. Find below a suggestion of hotels, which are located close to the city center:

- **HOTEL URPI**

Address: Carrer de Sant Maties, 5, 08208 Sabadell, Barcelona

Phone: +34 937 24 40 00

Email: hotel@hotelurpi.com

Web: <https://hotelurpi.com/en/>

- **URBAN SABADELL**

Address: Ronda de Zamenhof, 21, 08201 Sabadell, Barcelona

Phone: +34 689 04 32 79

Web: <https://urbansabadell.com/en/>

- **HOTEL CATALONIA**

Address: Plaça de Catalunya, 10-12, 08206, Sabadell

Phone: +34 93 727 92 00

Web: <https://www.cataloniahotels.com/en/hotel/catalonia-sabadell>

HERE you have a map with the location of these hotels and the ICP museum!

More information on bars and restaurants near the venue will be provided in future circulars.

The organizing committee is contacting different hotels to try to get special prices for attendants. If we get any discounts, we will provide this information in future circulars.

CONVENORS

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LOGO

The logo for the XX Conference of the EAVP represents an image of the cranium of *Albanosmilus jourdani* found in the Abocador de Can Mata site (els Hostalets de Pierola). Made by Leonardo Sorbelli and Almudena Yagüe.

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