



The 23rd Annual Meeting of the European Association of Vertebrate Palaeontologists (EAVP)

29th June – 5th July 2026, Vilnius, Lithuania



Dear friends and colleagues,

We warmly invite you to attend the 23rd Annual Meeting of the European Association of Vertebrate Palaeontologists, which will be hosted by the Geological Society of Lithuania in Vilnius, Lithuania, from 29 June to 5 July 2026.

We look forward to welcoming you in Vilnius !

The Organizing Committee

Registration and abstract submission

We are happy to announce that **registration and abstract submission for the 23rd EAVP are now open**. You can find the registration form using the link below
 <https://eavp2026.weebly.com/registration.html>

Important dates

- **Early-bird registration deadline:** 20 February 2026
- **Abstract submission deadline:** 16 April 2026

Venues

Main Conference Venue

The conference, including scientific sessions, poster presentations, and workshops, will take place at the Artis Hotel

 Totorių St. 23, LT-01120, Vilnius, Lithuania

 <https://artis.centrumhotels.com>

Information Desk

The Registration and Information Desk will be open from Monday, 29 June, to Friday, 3 July 2026, on the 2nd floor of the Artis Hotel, next to the main conference hall.

Preliminary Program

Lunch is not included at the conference venue and will be paid individually by participants. Further details will be announced in the Second Circular.

How to Get to Vilnius

By Air

Vilnius International Airport (VNO) is ~6 km from the city centre, with direct flights from major European cities. The city centre can be reached in 15–20 min by taxi, ride-hailing services, or public transport (bus/train).

By Train

Vilnius has international and domestic rail connections, with the main railway station centrally located and well connected to public transport.

By Bus

International and domestic bus services connect Vilnius with major cities across the Baltic States and Central Europe. The main bus station is next to the railway station.

Local Transport

Vilnius has an efficient public transport system (buses, trolleybuses), and taxis/ride-hailing services are widely available.

Accommodation

Main Conference Venue: Artis Hotel, central Vilnius.

Special discount for EAVP members is available. To get the discount code, email: eavp2026@gmail.com.

Alternative accommodation (apartments, hotels, hostels) is also available nearby via Booking.com.

Local Organizing Committee

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Events

Ice Breaking Party

 Date: June 29th, 2026

 Venue: Bar "Artistai"

 Address: Šv. Kazimiero St. 3, Vilnius, 01303

 Time: From 6:30 PM (cozy inner courtyard)

City tour

-  Date: June 30th, 2026
-  Meeting point: will be provided later
-  Estimated time: From 6:00 to 20:30 PM (city centre and historic part of Vilnius)

Charity Auction

-  Date: July 1st, 2026
-  Venue: Bar “Šnekutis”
-  Address: Šv. Mikalojaus St. 15, Vilnius
-  Time: From 7:00 PM (basement area)

Special Dinner

-  Date: July 2nd, 2026
-  Venue: Bar “Bernelių užeiga”
-  Address: 19 Gedimino Ave / 6 J. Levelis St., Vilnius
-  Time: From 7:00 PM
-  Price: ~€55 per person (**not included in registration fee**)

Field Trips

The local organizers are preparing three exciting options:

Option 1: Walk in Vilnius – learning about mammoths 

-  4th July

Option 2: Trip by train to Vievis core (~30 min one way) – deposition site visit, museum tour, and lecture on Lithuanian palaeontology and geology  

-  4th July

Option 3: Jurassic outcrop, Permian and Triassic quarries in northern Lithuania + Venta Regional Park + museum (using a rented bus) 

-  One night stay in Akmenė city
-  4–5th July

More details (registration, descriptions, prices, and info) will soon be available on the official website:

 <https://eavp2026.weebly.com/>

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See you in Vilnius!

Organizing committee, 2025-12