



Dear participant,

Thank you for registering for the PopBio 2016 conference in Třeboň. Here are a few final practicalities.

Conference programme

It is available at the conference website now (and attached to this mail). As planned, there will be two and a half days of talks/posters, and half a day excursion on Saturday. Talks will be in the 12 minutes (talk) + 3 minutes (discussion) format; PowerPoint or PDF format. Posters should be A0 (portrait) format. Sad news is that Lonnie Aarssen had to cancel his invited talk; fortunately, Mark van Kleunen agreed to stand in with a very attractive talk.

On Thursday 20:00 there is an optional visit to Třeboň brewery Regent with a guide and beer tasting. In the case of interest, the price (250 CZK) has to be paid at the registration. <http://www.pivovar-regent.cz/en/regent-brewery>

On Friday there will be a conference dinner at the Spa Aurora (the conference venue) free for all participants.

On Saturday afternoon there will be an excursion to the surroundings of Třeboň guided by Karel Prach. It is the exceptional landscape of ponds, old growth oak forest and protected areas.

All lunches, coffee breaks and dinners are included in the price of the conference. Admission to the cafeteria will be allowed upon showing a wristband – you don't have to wear it but you mustn't lose it or you will be hungry.

Getting there

Air

The best connection is from Prague Vaclav Havel International Airport (PRG), although you may also fly to Vienna's Schwechat. The best option to get from the Prague airport is to take the AE (Airport express) bus line. (The sad thing with the Prague airport is that –

in spite of 20 years of intensive discussions on the topic – there is no train connection to the city from there.) Buses leave both from Terminal 1 and Terminal 2, departing every fifteen minutes (detailed time table is attached) from a platform immediately in front of each terminal. Tickets for the bus are bought at the driver (in Czech koruna – therefore it may help to get some cash at the ATM at the airport hall, there are ones both at the Terminal 1 and Terminal 2). These buses will take you to the Prague main railway station (Praha hlavní nádraží).

Train from Prague

You need to take a train in the direction to České Budějovice, get off at Veselí nad Lužnicí, and change for the local train to Třeboň, direction to České Velenice; get off at Třeboň-Lázně or at Třeboň main station. Please make sure (map attached) which of these two stations is closer to your accommodation. The welcome mixer is at the Institute of Botany, which is closer to the station Třeboň-Lázně. This is one stop after the station Třeboň – i.e. do not panic when the train stops at Třeboň, and get off only at the stop that follows. Train tickets must be bought in advance. Tickets can be bought easily in the main station hall of Prague main station (look for CD Centrum), but you can get it also online at <https://www.cd.cz/eshop/default.aspx>. (Click en at the page top.)

If you need to help with finding the way or other transport problems, please call or text to Tomáš Koubek (+420737449485), preferably not too much in advance. Train timetables to Třeboň for Wednesday 4th of May are attached. Further information on public transport in the Czech Republic can be found here:

<http://jizdnirady.idnes.cz/vlakyautobusy/spojeni/> (click "English" at the right hand side of the screen).

Car

Třeboň is located on the route 24 from Veselí nad Lužnicí to Schrems, Austria (and further to Vienna). When driving from Prague take the route 3 (E55) to České Budějovice, leave it shortly after Veselí nad Lužnicí taking the route 24 (to Třeboň, Halámky, Wien). When in Třeboň, follow the map attached. Driving on Czech highways (designated by a letter D plus a number) requires a prepaid stamp ("dálniční známka").

Parking around the conference venue

Parking is allowed only at designated parking places at the Spa Aurora grounds, certainly it is not allowed at the main gate. Luckily there are several parking places not far from the conference venue.

Coaches from/to Linz

On Wednesday 4th of May, there will a special coach for conference participants from Linz to Třeboň. Everyone who booked for it should assemble at 17:30 outside of the main gate of the Linz main train station. From there Ondřej Mudrák will guide you to the coach. Look for the PopBio logo! If problems occur, contact Ondřej (+420720311182). The travel takes around two hours.

The return coach will leave on Sunday 7th of May at 8:00 from the Spa Aurora. We will let you know at the conference if anything changes.

Welcome party/mixer

It will take place at the Institute of Botany (not Spa Aurora!), which is a walking distance from the railway station Třeboň – Lázně and most hotels/pensions (but anything is within walking distance in Třeboň). The party will start at 18:00 and end around 23:00. It is free for all symposium participants. **Please come!**

The conference venue

Conference programme will take place in the Spa Aurora. The registration and poster session will be in the foyer of the Conference hall. The Conference hall is located at the first floor. The meals will be served in the 2nd floor in the cafeteria. Look for the PopBio logo or for people with green labels.

There is an ATM/cash machine close to the reception in the Spa Aurora.

Registration

Will take place from 17:45 till 20:00 at the Institute of Botany on Wednesday and from 8:00 in the Conference hall foyer on Thursday.

Accommodation

If you have any difficulties with your accommodation, please contact Alena Bartušková at her cell phone +420 724 919 234 or at akociano@seznam.cz.

Important phone numbers

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Třeboň taxi services:

+420 602 272 427 (Taxislužba Milan Liška)
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+420 603 977 554 (Taxi Martin Šmaus)

Wednesday train timetable (morning trains not shown)

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Airport express bus AE

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