

# 2003 CSTS SCIENTIFIC EXCURSIONS PROGRAMME

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## **Natural History Tour: May 3 – 10, September 6 – 13, 2003**

Natural history of the Western Carpathians (geology, soils, landscapes, vegetation, natural and semi-natural forests in all altitudinal vegetation zones)

## **Geology of the Klippen Belt: September 27 – October 4, 2003**

Different types of bedrock and landscapes along the famous Carpathian Klippen Belt

## **Azonal Plant Communities: May 24 – May 31, 2003**

Interdependence between soils, vegetation, bedrock and relief; plant species with a narrow ecological tolerance bound to certain types of West Carpathian biotopes, such as sands, karst, volcanic rock etc.

## **Along the Vertical Transect: July 5 – 12, 2003**

Changes of the Carpathian vegetation (Pannonian and mountainous elements) as a function of altitude; from the Danube Lowland to the alpine environment of the High Tatras National Park

## **Primeval and Semi-Natural Forests: June 14 – 21, August 16 – 23, October 18 – 25, 2003**

Species composition, growth patterns, autoregulation, autoreproduction and the overall homeostasis in the Carpathian climax forests that represent altitudinal vegetation zones typical of the Carpathians; legacy to the site-adopted forestry theory and practice

## **Natural Landscapes Management and Sustainability: July 26 – August 2, 2003**

Development of agriculture, forestry and tourism in natural landscapes, management of biosphere reserves, biodiversity protection

## BASIC INFORMATION ABOUT 2002 SCIENTIFIC EXCURSIONS PROGRAMME

Number of participants: max. 15 (individual registration) or 25 (group registration)

Excursion languages: German, English, French

Excursion fee: 590,- EUR; the fee includes: hotel accommodation (seven nights), full pension, guide fees, transports by excursion vehicles, entrance fees to caves and museums, various publications on Slovak nature

References: see [www.ecosystems.sk](http://www.ecosystems.sk)

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Tour itineraries and other relevant information will be sent upon request.

## NOTE

Upon request CSTS will provide planning and guides for individually tailored excursions on condition that the proposed programme complies with CSTS nature protection and conservation policy.