

**Contract on the Provision of Financial Resources  
from the International Visegrad Fund's  
Visegrad Grant No. 22430057**

(hereinafter only the "Contract")

**1. CONTRACTING PARTIES**

**1.1 International Visegrad Fund**

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Represented by: **Linda Kapustová Helbichová**, Executive Director

hereinafter referred to as the "Fund"

and

**1.2 Archeologický ústav Akademie věd ČR, Praha, v.v.i.**

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| Name:                   | Institute of Archaeology of the Czech<br>Academy of Sciences, Prague, v.v.i.                  |
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| Registered VAT Payer:   | yes   |

Represented by: **Mgr. Jan Mařík. Ph.D.**

hereinafter referred to as the "Grantee"

**1.3 The Fund and the Grantee are hereinafter jointly referred to as only "Contracting Parties".**

**1.4 The Contracting Parties enter into this Contract on the Provision of Financial Resources from the International Visegrad Fund under the conditions and with the subject matter stipulated below.**



## 2. SUBJECT OF THE CONTRACT

2.1 The subject of this Contract is the definition of the conditions for the payment of financial support from the Fund to support the activities of the Grantee within the project named "**Shelter: human-environment interactions in karst around pleistocene/holocene transition**", on the basis of the Grantee's proposal in the application submitted via the Fund's Online System as defined below (the "Application") under serial No. **22430057** (the "Project"). To avoid any doubts, Contracting Parties declare and agree that after the Application is submitted via the Online System, it cannot be changed by either Contracting Party.

2.2 The Grantee specified the following project partners for the implementation of the Project:

### Partner No. 1.

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| Name of the organization in its native language: Laborař archeobotaniky a paleoekologie (LAPE) |                           |
| Name of the organization in English: Laboratory of Archaeobotany and Palaeoecology (LAPE)      |                           |
| Address: Na Zlaté stoce 3, Āeské Budějovice, 37005, CZ   | CZ                        |
| Statutory representative: [REDACTED]   |                           |
| BIN: CZ 60076658   | Registered VAT payer: yes |

### Partner No. 2.

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| Name of the organization in its native language: Eötvös Loránd Tudományegyetem       |                           |
| Name of the organization in English: Eötvös Loránd University, Faculty of Humanities |                           |
| Address: Egyetem tér 1-3, Budapest, H-1053, HU                                       | HU                        |
| Statutory representative: [REDACTED]   |                           |
| BIN: HU 1530 8744  | Registered VAT payer: yes |

### Partner No. 3.

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| Name of the organization in its native language: Archeologický ústav SAV, v. v. i. |                           |
| Name of the organization in English: Institute of Archaeology SAS, v. v. i.        |                           |
| Address: Akademická 2, Nitra, 94921, SK  | SK                        |
| Statutory representative: [REDACTED]   |                           |
| BIN: SK2021246656  | Registered VAT payer: yes |

### Partner No. 4.

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| Name of the organization in its native language: Univerzita Konštantína Filozofa v Nitre |                           |
| Name of the organization in English: Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra     |                           |
| Address: Trieda A. Hlinku 1, Nitra, 94974, SK  | SK                        |
| Statutory representative: [REDACTED]   |                           |
| BIN: 00157716  | Registered VAT payer: yes |

### Partner No. 5.

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| Name of the organization in its native language: Magyar Agrár- és Élettudományi Egyetem |                           |
| Name of the organization in English: Hungarian Univ. of Agriculture and Life Sciences   |                           |
| Address: Páter Károly utca, 1., Gödöllő, 2100, HU                                       | HU                        |
| Statutory representative: [REDACTED]  |                           |
| BIN: HU19294784   | Registered VAT payer: yes |

All of the above-mentioned partners are hereinafter jointly referred to only as the "Project Partners".



2.3 The subject of the Project shall be supported by the Fund with an amount of up to **€44,915.00** under conditions set forth below in this Contract (the "Grant").

2.4 The Grantee is obliged to implement the Project in compliance with the time frame and financial and other conditions stipulated in the Contract.

2.5 The Grantee is obliged to keep the Fund updated with regard to the Project via the grant management online system available at <http://my.visegradfund.org/> (the "Online System"). The Grantee is also obliged to submit requests for budget changes and extensions of the implementation period of the Project through the Online System as further specified in the Grant Guidelines. Requests for substantial changes must be submitted to the Fund in writing and approved by the Fund as further specified in the Grant Guidelines. The Grantee is obliged to inform the Fund with no delay (max. within 10 calendar days from such a change) in writing of any internal changes of the Grantee, such as changes of the Grantee's official name, registered seat, statutory representatives, registration for VAT, etc.

### **3. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT**

3.1 The Contracting Parties agree that the Project shall last from **01/04/2025** to **30/09/2026** (the "Implementation Period").

3.2 Particular stages of the Project implementation are specified in Attachments No. 1 and 2 hereof ("List of Outputs" and "Calendar of Events"). The Grantee is obliged to maintain an up-to-date Calendar of Events. Any change in the dates, venues and details of events originally stipulated in the Calendar of Events must be updated and confirmed in the Online System within 30 to 10 calendar days prior to the planned date. The Grantee is allowed to modify the Calendar of Events without the Fund's prior approval to the extent specified in the Grant Guidelines. Unconfirmed events and/or unauthorized modifications in the List of Outputs and/or Calendar of Events will be disregarded during the evaluation of the Interim/Final Report and their related costs will not be reimbursed.

### **4. GRANT PAYMENT**

4.1 The Grant shall be paid to the Grantee under the conditions set forth in Section 4.2 hereof in 2 installments as follows:

- the 1st installment in the amount of **€35,932.00** within 15 working days after the delivery of the valid and effective Contract by the Grantee to the Fund (the "First Installment"); Contracting Parties agreed that the Grantee is obliged to deliver to the Fund a final report, the contents and requisites of which are set forth in the Grants Guidelines published and available on the Fund's website, in the period under Article 6, section 6.2 of the Contract (the "Final Report");
- the 2nd (and final) installment in the amount of **€8,983.00** within 15 working days after the Final Report, Financial Statement and Certificate on Financial Statements are approved by the Fund according to Article 6 hereof (the "Final Installment"). Parties agreed that the Final Installment must be pre-financed by the Grantee and, if duly approved under the conditions set forth hereof, the Fund reimburses the due amount of the Final Installment.

4.2 The Grantee shall be entitled to the 2nd Installment and Final Installment of the Grant solely upon the approval of the Fund provided (i) the relevant reports relating to the particular installment were delivered by the Grantee to the Fund within the periods stated in Article 6 hereof and in the Calendar of Events/Outputs as specified in Attachment No. 2 hereto and (ii) such reports were approved by the Fund pursuant to Article 6 hereof.

4.3 The Fund reserves the right to deny the disbursement of the Grant or any part of it, in case the Grantee does not comply either with the Grant Guidelines mentioned in 4.4 and applicable at the time of the Application's submission, or the provisions of the present Contract. In such case, the Grantee shall not be entitled to any disbursement. The Fund also reserves the right to reduce the Grant or any part of it, in case the Grantee is entitled for any tax (VAT) refund from local authorities.



4.4 The Grantee declares that prior to signing this Contract they have made themselves familiar with the Grant Guidelines of the Fund which are applied by the Fund for the organization and treatment of the grants, including the Grant provided to the Grantee under this Contract, and which are published on the website of the Fund ([www.visegradfund.org](http://www.visegradfund.org)). The Grantee shall be obliged to accept all such rules and principles of the Fund.

4.5 The Fund is entitled to unilaterally change and/or amend the Grant Guidelines even through validity of the Contract and is in such case obliged to make the valid version thereof available at the Fund's website ([www.visegradfund.org](http://www.visegradfund.org)). The Grantee is obliged to comply with the updated Grant Guidelines after receiving a notification about changes and/or amendments by the Fund.

## 5. GRANT UTILIZATION

5.1 The Grant shall be used by the Grantee only to cover the direct expenses of the Project during the Implementation Period of the Project according to the budget plan which forms Attachment No. 1 hereof (the "Budget"). Up to 15% of the Grant may be used to cover Project overhead costs (operating costs directly linked to the Project).

5.2 The expenses required for the Project from the Grant cannot exceed the approved amount.

5.3 The Grant may only be used during the contracted Implementation Period. The part of the Grant not used during the Implementation Period shall be returned by the Grantee to the Fund upon request within 15 working days.

5.4 The Grantee shall use the Grant according to the Budget in an efficient and cost-effective way.

5.5 Any change in the qualified expenses as stated in the Budget exceeding the amounts in individual budget categories as specified in the Grant Guidelines requires the prior approval of the statutory representative of the Fund. For such approval to be granted a request must be submitted in the Online System with proper justification. Without the Fund's approval, the Grant may not be used to cover such changed expenses exceeding the amount qualified in the Budget.

5.6 The financial resources of the Grant other than overhead costs cannot be used for:

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| a) capital investments (tangible/intangible assets);  |
| b) VAT refund for Grantees who request VAT compensation from local authorities;   |
| c) the Grantee's own indirect costs (electricity/gas/water/telephone bills, etc.);  |
| d) internal costs or invoices (rent of one's own premises, one's own accommodation and board); and  |
| e) Grantee's own work—e.g. coordination of the Project, salaries, financial remuneration of employees (or any expenses related to employment based on the Labour Code, including daily allowances, part-time work, etc.). |

## 6. REPORTING OBLIGATIONS AND RELATED CONTRACTUAL TERMS

6.1 The Grantee shall immediately inform the Fund in writing of any circumstance which may affect the realization of the Project or of any changes in the contractual conditions. The statutory representative of the Fund shall decide upon such circumstances and changes.

6.2 The Grantee shall deliver to the Fund:

| <i>Report:</i>                      | <i>Covering the period from-to:</i> | <i>Latest delivery of report:</i> |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Final Report                        | 01/04/2025–30/09/2026               | 13/11/2026                        |
| Financial Statement                 | 01/04/2025–30/09/2026               | 13/11/2026                        |
| Certificate on Financial Statements | 01/04/2025–30/09/2026               | 13/11/2026                        |



6.3 The reports under this Article hereof shall be drawn up in the qualified forms and according to the requirements and instructions published on the website of the Fund, mainly in the Grants Guidelines. The Fund reserves the right to deny any Report failing to meet this requirement.

6.4 All the reports except the Certificate on Financial Statements shall be prepared and separately signed by the authorized representative of the Grantee. The Certificate on Financial Statements shall be prepared by a certified auditor registered in a Chamber of Auditors of the country where the auditor resides.

6.5 The Financial Statements shall conform to the budget and shall mention expenditures related to the Project and shall comply with financial documents evidencing the utilization of the Grant. All financial documents (receipts, bills, contracts and invoices, etc.) related to a project must be kept for a period of at least 10 years and copies thereof delivered to the Fund upon request.

6.6 The Fund has the right to verify any data provided by the Grantee to the Fund. The Grantee hereby grants the Fund authorization to carry out any acts necessary for verifying any data provided by the Grantee to the Fund.

6.7 In case of any reservations of the Fund to the provided reports or any documentation attached thereto, the Grantee shall be obliged to revise such reports or documentation according to the requirements of the Fund within the period stated by the Fund.

6.8 The Fund reserves the right to determine the eligibility of each cost to be covered by the Fund.

6.9 The Grantee shall inform the Fund with no delay (max. within 10 calendar days from such a change) in writing of any internal changes of the Grantee, mainly but not limited to changes of the Grantee's official name, registered seat, statutory representatives, registration for VAT, etc.

## **7. OTHER CONTRACTUAL TERMS**

7.1 All formal communication with the Fund must be conducted in English.

7.2 The Grantee is obliged to specify a bank account for the purposes of the grant disbursements realized by the Fund. All Project payments must be carried through the bank account owned by the Grantee.

7.3 The Grantee shall conduct bank transfer (non-cash) transactions only.

7.4 The Grantee is obliged to acknowledge the Fund's support of the Project (i) on all premises where events take place as part of the Project (in the form of a banner or flag), (ii) in all printed materials distributed as part of the Project, (iii) in all public statements and presentations and (iv) on all web pages connected with the Project. All acknowledgements must visibly carry the current version of the Fund's logo and, if online, must be directly linked to [www.visegradfund.org](http://www.visegradfund.org). Acknowledgements in event venues must be present for the duration of the events; acknowledgements online must remain active for the whole Contractual Period of the Project, at a minimum. The Grantee shall ensure that any of its Project Partners acknowledge the Fund's support for the Project to the same extent that the Grantee is obliged under this Contract. Further obligations of the Grantee regarding the acknowledgement of the Fund's support of the Project are specified in the Logo and Acknowledgement Manual (annex to the Grant Guidelines) of the Fund published on the Fund's website and the Grantee declares that prior to signing this Contract they have made themselves familiar with the Grant Guidelines and shall abide by this policy.

7.5 The Fund reserves the right to carry out monitoring visits of the Project and implementation thereof and carry out financial inspection of the Project and, if necessary, request additional documentation regarding the Project. The Grantee is obliged to allow visits from the Fund's staff or from personnel authorized by the Fund to make such visits, allow financial inspections and provide any materials related to the Project upon request.

7.6 The Fund (or person authorized by the Fund) is entitled to carry out an audit of the Grantee during the Contract validity and for three additional years after providing the final installment of the Grant to the Grantee based on this Contract. The Grantee is obliged to bear such an audit and provide the Fund with any accounting and other documents related to the Grant, and make and deliver the Fund copies therefrom.



7.7 The Fund undertakes to extend to the Grantee necessary co-operative support.

7.8 Both Contractual Parties may disclose information on the Project and enable access of the public to participate in the Project.

7.9 The Grantee takes note of the fact that the Fund accepts no responsibility for any contents of any Project outputs.

7.10 The Grantee declares that he shall be the bearer of all intellectual property rights and/or copyrights to any outputs of the Project or any part thereof (the "Outputs"). The Grantee hereby grants to the Fund under provisions of the Act No. 185/2015 Coll. Copyright Act (the "Copyright Act") a non-exclusive royalty free license, without territorial, time, material and technological limitations, to any Outputs of the Project or part thereof, so the Fund shall have mainly right to:

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| a) publicly disclose the Outputs and publish the Outputs in any way, e.g. on the Fund's website, in any Fund's materials, etc.; |
| b) alter and process the Outputs, mainly use the Outputs to create new work, according to the needs of the Fund;                |
| c) include the Outputs to a database under §131 of the Copyright Act;   |
| d) merge the Outputs with any other outputs or work;  |
| e) make copies of the Outputs;  |
| f) publicly distribute the Outputs;   |
| g) to deal with the Outputs in any other way that is attributable to the author under the provisions of the Copyright Act.      |

7.11 The Parties agreed to adhere to the principles of environmental sustainability by all means possible in relation to the Project (saving electricity, water and other resources, preferring local goods and services and printing only if necessary and on both sides of the paper, etc.).

## 8. CONTRACTUAL SANCTIONS

8.1 The Fund shall be entitled against the Grantee for a contractual penalty in the amount of 20% of the amount of the Grant (the "Contractual Penalty"), if:

- a) any data provided by the Grantee turns out to be false or not up-to-date, or
- b) the Grantee fails to deliver to the Fund any of the reports according to this Contract in time, or
- c) the Grantee fails to observe the Budget or the Grant or any part of it is used in conflict with the terms stipulated in this Contract, or
- d) the Grantee breaches any of its obligations arising from Article 7 hereof.

8.2 The Contractual Penalty shall be paid by the Grantee within 15 working days from the written notice of the Fund. The Contractual Penalty payment shall not affect the Fund's right to request a damage compensation for any damages caused to the Fund.

8.3 The Fund shall be entitled to withdraw from the Contract, in case:

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| a) any kind of false/incorrect data/information is provided by the Grantee, or   |
| b) any of the contractual requirements are not met by the Grantee or breached by the Grantee and the Grantee shall not remedy such deficiency or breach within an additional reasonable period provided by the Fund in the written call for the remedy, or               |
| c) deficiencies are determined that could in a significant way affect the result or approved schedule during the implementation of the Project, mainly, but not limited to, the Project Outputs not meeting the requirements under this Contract and its attachments, or |
| d) the good reputation of the Fund is damaged by the Grantee, or   |
| e) the Fund learns about a misuse of any funds granted to the Grantee by the Fund or the funds provided by the Fund are used, intentionally or negligently, for any other purposes than those specified in the Project.  |



8.4 The notice of withdrawal shall be delivered in writing in person or by registered mail to the address of the relevant Contracting Party stated in this Contract. The notice of withdrawal shall be considered received on the date of its delivery. If the delivery of the withdrawal notice is rejected by the relevant Contracting Party, the rejection date shall represent the date of delivery. In the case of postal deliveries, the withdrawal notice shall be considered received on the third day of its postal deposit, irrespective of the addressee's knowledge of such deposit.

8.5 If the Contract is terminated upon the withdrawal of the Fund therefrom, the Grantee shall automatically be obliged to return to the Fund the amount of the paid Grant within 15 working days.

8.6 In case the Grantee fails to observe the Budget or the Grant or any part of it is used in conflict with the terms stipulated in this Contract, the Grantee shall be obliged to return the amount of the paid Grant to the Fund within 15 working days at the call of the Fund.

8.7 When the Fund determines deficiencies that could significantly affect the result or approved schedule during the implementation of the Project, the Fund reserves the right to suspend the payment of the Grant or any part of it for a definite period.

8.8 If at any time (i.e., also after implementation of the Project) the Fund learns about a misuse of any funds granted to the Grantee by the Fund, and/or about unannounced and/or unauthorized changes within the Project and internal changes of the Grantee affecting the utilization of the provided Grant (mainly, but not limited to, changes of the Grantee's name, registered seat, statutory representatives, registration for VAT, etc.), the Grantee shall be obliged to return the full granted amount to the Fund within 15 working days at the call of the Fund.

## 9. FINAL PROVISIONS

9.1 This Contract shall be governed by Slovak law. Relevant provisions of the Civil Code of the Slovak Republic and other related regulations of the Slovak Republic shall apply to the relations regulated in this Contract, resulting from it and related to it.

9.2 Any disputes resulting from this Contract which could not be settled by mutual agreement of the Contracting Parties shall be resolved by Slovak courts.

9.3 This Contract shall enter into force on the day of its signing by both Parties. This Contract is concluded for a definite time period until 09/12/2026 (i.e., the implementation period + 50 working days), except the stipulations in Section 8.8 hereof which shall remain valid and effective for an indefinite time period.

9.4 Both Contracting Parties declare that they conclude this Contract of their free will, they have read its content and as evidence of their consent to its wording they voluntarily sign it as correct.

9.5 The Contract is drawn up in two identical counterparts in English. Each Contracting Party shall receive one counterpart of the Contract.

Done in Bratislava, on 09/01/2025

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Signature of the Fund's statutory representative

Archeologický ústav AV ČR, Praha, v. v. i.

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Signature of the Grantee's statutory representative

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## Attachment 1

to the Contract on the Provision of Financial Resources from the International Visegrad Fund's Visegrad Grant No. **22430057**

**List of Outputs:**

Total approved sum: €44,915.00



**1 Skalice u Měňan site excavation (Event–Private), (Event–Private), Skalice u Měňan, CZ**

19/05/2025–28/05/2025

Excavation of the Rockshelter Skalice u Měňan will have a form of summer school. It will provide us with new findings and new samples for detailed scientific analyses and for the application of absolute dating methods. Also, it will be possible to show the students and speleologists how to identify and excavate archaeological situations, how to take the samples, and how the post-excavation part of the work goes on. Students will get direct experience with multidisciplinary research. Students will be asked by participating researchers, but also it will be announced at participating institutions publicly, that there is an open call for students to participate in this research.

**Direct target groups:**

Local Speleologists: 5

Selection/outreach: Speleologist will be asked through the speleological webpage and interested ones will be involved in the excavation.

Researchers directly involved in the project: 5

Selection/outreach: We will address our colleagues involved in the project.

Students: 5

Selection/outreach: Will be asked by their teachers (researchers involved in the project). Open call will be placed at the pages of the participating institutions to invite interested students to our research.

**Dissemination/promotion**

We will promote the excavation in local media. Results of the excavation will be presented at the events and in the papers described below.

**Role of the applicant and project partners**

The excavation will be organised by the applicant with a help of the project partners. Colleagues from all the partner institutions will visit the excavation to sample the finding context for the sort of analyses they deal with.

**2 Excavation Veľká Ružinská cave (Event–Private), Veľká Ružinská jaskyňa, SK**

29/07/2025–07/08/2025

Excavation of the Veľká Ružinská cave will have a form of summer school. It will provide us with a new findings and new samples for a detailed scientific analyses and for an application of absolute dating methods. But also it will be possibility to show to the students and speleologists how to identify and excavate archaeological situations, how to take the samples and how the post-excavation part of work goes on. Students will get direct experience with multidisciplinary research. Students will be asked by participating researchers, but also it will be announced at participating institutions publicly, that there is an open call for students to participate in this research.

**Direct target groups:**

Students: 5

Selection/outreach: Will be asked by their teachers (researchers involved in the project). Open call will be placed at the pages of the participating institutions to invite interested students to our research.

Researchers directly involved in the project: 5

Selection/outreach: We will address our colleagues involved in the project.

Local Speleologists: 5

Selection/outreach: Speleologist will be asked through the speleological webpage and interested ones will be involved in the excavation-

**Dissemination/promotion**

We will promote the excavation in local media. Results of the excavation will be presented at the events and in the papers described below.

**Role of the applicant and project partners**

The excavation will be organised by one of the project partners ( ) with a help of the project coordinator and partners. Colleagues from all the partner institutions will visit the excavation to sample the finding context for the sort of analyses they deal with.

**3 Caves and Rock Shelters: the Interactions of People and Natural Environment in the Prehistory (Event–Public), Belgrade, RS**

04/09/2025–06/09/2025

One of the biggest archaeological meetings (on an European level) will be organised in Belgrade in 2025 by European Archaeological Association. During last 10 years number of participants was usually around 2000 participants. Thus it is possibility how to promote this project before a large professional audience. We will prepare a session which will be focused on the human-environment interactions in karstic areas, to enhance the discussion about this topic.

**Direct target groups:**

Professionals in quaternary research: 50

Selection/outreach: Attendants chosen by the organisers of the conference

**Dissemination/promotion**

The program will be available online and free to consult to everybody on the pages of the meeting. Thus it will be visible, for everybody who is interested in this event. Specific colleagues who might like to participate will be asked directly.

**Role of the applicant and project partners**

Applicant and project partners will participate in the preparation, organisation and chairing of this session.



#### 4 Open day at the site (Event–Public), Skalice u Měňan, CZ

27/09/2025–28/09/2025

Possibilities to visit archaeological excavations are limited for the general public. We will open our excavations and do the people who will be interested and do the guided tours to explain how do we proceed and what did we found. Every day will be done two guided tours, for maximum of 20 people.

##### Direct target groups:

General public: 60

Selection/outreach: people interested in the visit of the site

##### Dissemination/promotion

We will make announcements in the local media and on the pages of Protected Landscape Area where the site is situated and on the pages of our institutions which will introduce the site to the visitors (LAPE and Institute of Archaeology, CAS, Prague)

##### Role of the applicant and project partners

The applicant will organize this event and project partners from LAPE will participate on this event.

#### 5 Analyses of the samples from the excavations (Product)

01/07/2025–28/02/2026

This output comprises an application of the scientific analyses of the samples from the excavated sites rockshelter Skalice u Měňan and Velká Ružinská cave site, specifically the analysis of archaeological finds, charcoal and plant macroremain analyses, phytolith analysis, geochemical analysis and analysis of the micromorphology of sediments. It also comprises an absolute dating of the found situations.

##### Direct target groups:

Team members: 6

Selection/outreach: We will address our colleagues involved in the project.

##### Dissemination/promotion

Results of the scientific analyses and dating will be presented at the events and in the papers described below.

##### Role of the applicant and project partners

An application of the scientific analyses and dating methods will be secured by team members from partner institutions, specifically from the Archaeological Institute (██████████) processing of the field documentation, lithic analysis Skalice u Měňan), Archaeological Institute Nitra (██████████) processing of the field documentation, lithic analysis Velká Ružinská cave ), LAPE (██████████), palaeoecology, Skalice u Měňan), Constantin Philosopher University Nitra (██████████) archaeobotany, Velká Ružinská cave), Hungarian Univ. of Agriculture and Life Sciences (██████████) phytolith analysis) and from ELTE (██████████) use-wear analysis). The prices include onsite sampling followed by sample processing in a laboratory and writing of finding reports.

#### 6 Use-wear workshop (Event–Public), Budapest, HU

28/04/2026–29/04/2026

The workshop will be focused on the problematics of the use-wear analysis, which is extremely understudied within V4 countries. The main topic will be to introduce how to cope with the lithics to enable this type of analysis. How does the use-wear analysis correlate with residual and palaeoecological analyses, and why are these analyses important for the interpretation of the hunter-gatherer sites. The workshop will be focussed on professional archaeologists and students of archaeology. It will be international and provided in English. The event is organised in Budapest, because there is new laboratory on use-wear analysis build and thus it is possible to show all important devices, procedures and protocols here.

##### Direct target groups:

Professional archaeologists: 10

Selection/outreach: Team members and colleagues working with lithics

Students of archaeology: 15

Selection/outreach: Will be chosen according to their motivation from the students who will like to participate

##### Dissemination/promotion

Organisation of this workshop will be announced on the pages of the applicant and project partner, colleagues and students who might be interested in this event will be asked directly.

##### Role of the applicant and project partners

Workshop will be organised by (██████████), who is a specialist in this field. Team members will attend this event to widen their view on this topic and learn how to enable traceological research on the finds from their excavations.



### 7 Scientific conferences (Product)

01/09/2025–30/04/2026

Team members will present the results of the proposed project at three different scientific conferences in the V4 countries and abroad. There will be presented results from the perspective of archaeology, anthropology, geology, dating methods, environmental sciences and palaeobotany. Particular conferences will be specified later, according to the project results and to the actual situation.

#### Direct target groups:

Three team members ( [REDACTED] ) will present results to the attendees of the scientific conferences.: 300

Selection/outreach: Attendees of the scientific conferences will be selected by the organizers according to the conference title and focus.

#### Dissemination/promotion

The result of the project will be presented to the scientists from the V4 countries and from other mainly European countries. They will be also presented in the conference publications, such as books of abstracts or on the webpages of particular conferences.

#### Role of the applicant and project partners

Team members from the applicant institution and from the partner institutions ( [REDACTED] ) will present the results of the project connected to their fields of interest (archaeology, geology, dating methods, botany, ecology...).

### 8 Poster presentation (Product)

01/02/2026–31/07/2026

Five posters (panels) in four languages (Czech, Slovak, Hungarian, English) will be prepared. This poster presentation (exhibition) will supplement particular lectures in all V4 countries. It will inform about the latest findings on the topic of the interactions of people and nature in the karstic areas of Central Europe. This poster presentation will be displayed for a month in the seats of all participating institutions and it will be accessible for the public. We hope that it will attract the attention of the public interested in this issue.

#### Direct target groups:

The public interested in the issue of the human-environment interactions in Central Europe.: 500

Selection/outreach: We would like to attract the public by articles published in local journals and infowebs.

#### Dissemination/promotion

The poster presentation will be travelling through the seats of all the participating institutions. It will be connected to the lectures devoted to results of project and each of the partner institutions will prepare a promotion of the poster presentation together with a lecture organised at their institution.

#### Role of the applicant and project partners

Team members from the applicant and from the partner institutions ( [REDACTED] ) will be responsible for the installation and promotion of the poster presentation in their institutions.

### 9 Scientific publications (Product)

01/08/2025–31/07/2026

Another output of this project is a publication of three scientific articles describing the results of the excavations, and their significance for the research of the human-environment interaction in Central Europe. These articles will be published in highly-cited scientific peer-reviewed journals.

#### Direct target groups:

International scientific audience interested in the fields of archaeology, anthropology, environmental sciences, geoarchaeology and paleobotany.: 250

Selection/outreach: We will disseminate the pdf versions of the articles via social and scientific networks (e.g. Researchgate.net, Academia.edu).

#### Dissemination/promotion

The pdf versions of the article will be promoted and disseminated online on social and scientific networks. We will also try to promote the articles personally on conferences and scientific meetings. We hope that a publication of these articles will help to improve our knowledge concerning the human and natural history during Pleistocene/Holocene transition in Central Europe.

#### Role of the applicant and project partners

All team members from the applicant and partner institutions will be involved in a preparation of the articles as well as in their dissemination.



**10 Popular lectures cycle (Product)**

01/02/2026–31/07/2026

A cycle of public lectures will take place at the applicant institution and also at all the partner institutions (České Budějovice, Prague, Gödollo, Nitra, Budapest). These lectures assigned to the public audience will describe the importance of the study of the human-environment interactions during climatic change during Pleistocene/Holocene transition. The importance of studying its regional variability, how the research is done and why is the karst most valuable archive of this record within territory of the Central Europe. The results of the site excavations will be described as well. The lectures will be given by all the team members. The cycle of lectures will be supplemented by the poster presentation installed for a month in particular institutions.

**Direct target groups:**

General Public: 200

Selection/outreach: The lectures will be advertised in local media. We will prepare invitations, which will be displayed at the partner institutes and at other faculties.

Students of quaternary sciences: 50

Selection/outreach: Students will be invited by their professors.

**Dissemination/promotion**

All the lectures will be promoted on the pages and disseminated by the social and scientific networks of the all participating project partners.

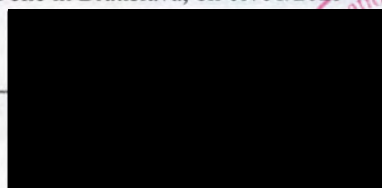
**Role of the applicant and project partners**

The applicant will prepare a draft of a lecture, which will be translated to Slovak, English and Hungarian. Lecture will be given in the maternal language of all participating countries to enable general public to have access to the new findings in their region.

**Budget**

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| Accommodation and board                 |                  |
| Expert fees/Fees for authors or artists |                  |
| Office supplies/consumption material    |                  |
| Printing/publishing costs               |                  |
| Rent and related technical services     |                  |
| Transportation and postage              |                  |
| Project overhead costs                  |                  |
| <b>Total</b>                            | <b>44,915.00</b> |

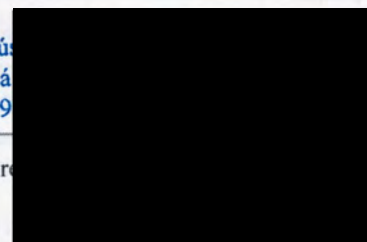
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## Attachment 2

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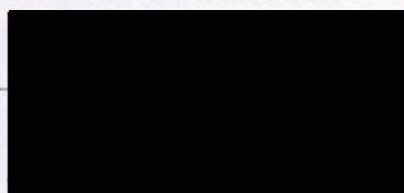
### Calendar of Events:

Implementation period: from 01/04/2025 to 30/09/2026

|   | Event  | City                      | Country | From       | Until      |
|---|--|---------------------------|---------|------------|------------|
| 1 | Skalice u Měňan site excavation (Event-Private),   | Skalice u Měňan           | CZ      | 19/05/2025 | 28/05/2025 |
| 2 | Excavation Velká Ružínska cave   | Velká Ružínska<br>jaskyňa | SK      | 29/07/2025 | 07/08/2025 |
| 3 | Caves and Rock Shelters: the Interactions of People and Natural<br>Environment in the Prehistory | Belgrade                  | RS      | 04/09/2025 | 06/09/2025 |
| 4 | Open day at the site   | Skalice u Měňan           | CZ      | 27/09/2025 | 28/09/2025 |
| 5 | Use-wear workshop  | Budapest                  | HU      | 28/04/2026 | 29/04/2026 |

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