

20th Annual Meeting of NOBIS Austria



Haus für Natur, St. Pölten
26–27 November 2026

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We are delighted to invite you to the 20th Annual Meeting of NOBIS, which will take place at the Haus für Natur in St. Pölten (Museum Niederösterreich, Kulturbezirk 5, 3100 St. Pölten). This anniversary meeting marks two decades of scientific exchange, collaboration, and friendship within our community, providing a special opportunity to celebrate the achievements of NOBIS over the past twenty years. As in previous years, we warmly welcome contributions from all fields of evolutionary research, phylogeny, and taxonomy. We therefore strongly encourage students and early-career researchers to apply for the NOBIS Awards, which recognize outstanding scientific contributions (see below for further information). We look forward to welcoming many members of our community to St. Pölten to celebrate this special anniversary with us!

Thursday, 26th November 2026

16:00–17:00	Guided tour through the exhibition
17:00–21:30	Icebreaker
18:00–19:00	Powerpoint karaoke

Friday, 27th November 2026

9:00	Welcome notes by Ronald Lintner & Dominique Zimmermann
9:10–9:30	Ulrike Aspöck: Celebration of the 20 th NOBIS meeting: Reflections by the founding president & conferment of honorary membership
9:30 –10:15	Keynote by Gerhard Haszprunar: Graduating in organismic biology: What comes next?
10:15–17:00	Talks, poster presentations and NOBIS awards

Talks	12+3 minutes
Posters	A0 (portrait format) + 3-min oral presentation of graphical abstract
Language	English
Fees	NOBIS members: € 35; non-members: € 70 including icebreaker & coffee breaks
Payment	By wire transfer to NOBIS Austria (IBAN: AT622011128822667900, BIC: GIBAATWW) or in cash at registration desk

Deadline for conference abstract submission: 4th October 2026

Deadline for registration: 8th November 2026

Abstracts and registration: nobis@nhm.at (Susanne Reier)

Please use the registration and abstract submission forms posted on the NOBIS website (<http://www.nobis-austria.at>) and/or distributed with this Circular.



NOBIS Awards 2026

In the frame of the 20th annual meeting, NOBIS Austria will confer the NOBIS Awards 2026 for excellent research in the field of biological systematics. They are dedicated to young members of the scientific community. Two awards, one for master and one for PhD students' talks, will be conferred, each with 500.- Euro and a three years NOBIS membership. These awards are prizes for just completed (< than 1 year ago) or nearly finished scientific projects.

Applicants should indicate their applications in the registration form and send their abstract together with a short scientific curriculum (one page) to nobis@nhm.at. Please, use the abstract form on our homepage www.nobis-austria.at.

Among the applicants the candidates are selected by the NOBIS Board and the Advisory Board. Candidates will be invited to present their results at the 20th annual meeting of NOBIS Austria (27th November 2026; Haus für Natur, St. Pölten), and a jury will select the winner during the meeting.

The evaluation will be based on scientific significance as well as on the quality of the presentation.

NOBIS membership is required at the time of submission.

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Arrival by Car / Parking

Parking is available in the car park "NÖ-Landhaus-Garage". The first 30 minutes are free of charge; thereafter, parking costs 2€ per hour, with a daily maximum of 10€.
Exit H provides barrier-free access directly to Museum Niederösterreich.

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