

## Report of the Organizing Committee of the Jubilee Meeting: One hundred years of Milankovic's theory of climate change

Dear Sir/Madam,

On my behalf and behalf of the Organizing Committee of the Jubilee meeting **One hundred years of Milankovic's theory of climate change**, I would like, once again, to thank You for Your participation and support to this important event to be held in these uncertain times of Covid-19. I am pleased to update You on the conclusions of the Organizing Committee meeting on the final preparations for the event.

The Organizing Committee decided that the report on the activities accomplished so far and on the ones planned to be carried out in this final month prior to the event, should be e-mailed to the members of the Scientific Committee, domestic institutions/co-organizers of the Jubilee Meeting, and the shortened version to the co-organizers and participants from abroad. Thus, this is the “shortened” letter/report.

The Jubilee will be marked in Belgrade, Serbia by a 2-day program:

- **Day 1: November 17, 2020 (by invitation only):** Jubilee celebration gathering dedicated to Milankovic's work on the development of the theory of climate change; and
- **Day 2: November 18, 2020:** High-level expert's scientific/professional meeting (Workshop).

Unfortunately, due to the Corona-19 virus pandemic, there was a significant reduction in the planned complementary activities. Some of the activities that had been planned earlier, have been postponed for the next year or cancelled. Inter alia, (i) the working meetings of Serbian experts with French, Hungarian and Austrian colleagues that were planned to be held in Paris, Budapest and Vienna were cancelled, and (ii) the number participants in the Day 1 program was significantly reduced.

So far, the following activities have been accomplished:

- Patronage/sponsorship of the Ministry of Environmental Protection of Serbia to the Jubilee Meeting is confirmed;
- Participation of 27 experts from abroad and Serbia in the scientific/professional Workshop on the November 19 is confirmed. Some of the participants in the event are the world's leading experts on climate change and connoisseurs and followers of the work of Milutin Milankovic;
- The equipment and software support has been arranged for. Use will be made of the Zoom online platform for the Day 2 (online scientific/professional Workshop) and technical support for the parts of the Day 1 celebration event;

- Instructions for the preparation of manuscripts and presentations were sent in good time to the participants of the Day 2 Workshop. The pdf versions of manuscripts are expected to be received by the end of October 2020, and of the PowerPoint presentations are expected by November 14;
- The Editorial Committee was formed for the preparation and publication of the Day 2 Workshop proceedings. Both electronic and limited number of paper (hard) copies will be published. Participants in the Workshop on the November 18th will be entitled to the receiving the hard copy when published;
- A high-quality (luxury) reprint edition of Milankovic's book *Théorie mathématique des phénomènes thermiques produits par la radiation solaire* has been published;
- The publication of Dr. Stella Filipi Matutinovic: *Milutin Milankovic and His Scientific Opus From Scientometric Perspective* has been prepared for bilingual electronic publishing (in Serbian and English);
- A 20-minute documentary film was made about Milankovic's development of the theory of climate change during his WWI internment in Budapest (1914-1919). Preparations are underway to produce the film with subtitles in Hungarian, French and English;
- The design was made for the plaque on the **Proclamation of the European Physical Society – EPS** on the University of Belgrade building as a historical place of importance for the development of physical sciences;
- Comprehensive promotion of the Jubilee Meeting was well realized in the local media.

Based on the assessment of the situation regarding the Covid-19 pandemic, the Organizing Committee decided that:

- The Jubilee Meeting on November 17, 2020 will be held "live" in the Main Hall of the Rectorate of University of Belgrade. Full compliance with the due precautionary Covid-19 measures will be secured.
- The scientific/professional meeting on November 18, 2020 will be held online with coordination from the premises of the Association Milutin Milankovic, Belgrade.

It is planned that only up to 50 guests will be invited to attend the Jubilee Meeting on November 17. Invited will be the representatives of: (i) governmental organizations of the Republic of Serbia, (ii) scientific, research and educational institutions from Serbia - supporters of the Association Milutin Milankovic and of this event, (iii) co-organizers of this event from abroad and (iv) embassies of the countries, scientists participating in the scientific-professional meeting (Workshop) on November 18, 2020.

The Jubilee Meeting on November 17, at the University of Belgrade Rectorate building (Studentski trg - Students' Square) in Belgrade is planned to last about 2 hours with the following program (master of the ceremony will be a professional actor/actress):

- Opening ceremony, address by the Rector of the University of Belgrade;
- Address of the President of the Association Milutin Milankovic;
- Address by representative of the Government of Serbia;
- Address of the representatives of domestic scientific and professional institutions;
- Address of the representative(s) of international scientific and professional organization(s) or embassies of the participating countries;
- Delivery of the Honorary Charters of the Association Milutin Milankovic;

- Unveiling a plaque on the proclamation of the University of Belgrade as a historic site of importance for the development of physical sciences on the inner façade of the University of Belgrade Rectorate building;
- Reception - cocktail (weather permitting, it will be in the open-air inner court of the Rectorate building).

We are looking forward to meeting You in this event.

Kind regards,

Slavko Maksimovic (MSc)

President of Association Milutin Milankovic  
President of the Organizing Committee