



In the period from November 24 to November 28, 2021, the *Center for Karst Hydrogeology of the Faculty of Mining and Geology* hosted a study visit of **Dr. Olga Meshcheriakova**, *Deputy Dean and Assistance Professor of Perm State National Research University, Russia*, during which the scientific training “*Environmental Technologies in Karst Areas*” was organized as well. Study visit was hosted by the members of the *Centre for Karst Hydrogeology* – **Dr. Saša Milanović**, *Assistant Professor and Head of the Centre*, **Dr. Ljiljana Vasić**, *Assistant Professor*, **Dr. Branislav Petrović**, *Research Associate* and **Veljko Marinović**, *Research Assistant*.

The first day of the study visit and the scientific training included a tour of the Centre’s premises and classrooms, where **Dr. Saša Milanović** and **Dr. Ljiljana Vasić** presented the Centre in more details and some current activities and projects of the CKH. Afterwards, the meeting was moved to the laboratory room of the Centre for Karst Hydrogeology, where **Dr. Saša Milanović**, **Dr. Ljiljana Vasić** and **Dr. Branislav Petrović** showed some of equipment that members of the CKH use in their research (such as IPC OES, TOC, field chemical laboratory, equipment for borehole video logging, analytical weight, diver datalogger).



The meeting continued in the Dean office of the faculty, where **Dr. Biljana Abolmasov**, *Full Professor and the Dean of the Faculty of Mining and Geology* organized a reception. **Dr. Biljana Abolmasov** introduced *University of Belgrade*, history of the *Faculty of Mining and Geology*, its organization, and Department’s curriculums to **Dr. Olga Meshcheriakova**. During the meeting, representatives of the *Centre for Karst Hydrogeology, Faculty of Mining and Geology* and *Perm State National Research University* exchanged the

originals of the previously signed *Memorandum of Understanding* and agreed about next steps that should be undertaken to make the collaboration stronger in the future.



The second day of the scientific training "*Environmental Technologies in Karst Areas*" included lectures about the protection of karst landscapes, caves, karst aquifers and underground fauna. The lectures were organized in the classroom of the Department of Hydrogeology and were given by **Dr. Saša Milanović**, Assistant Professor and Head of the Centre and **Dr. Ljiljana Vasić**, Assistant Professor.



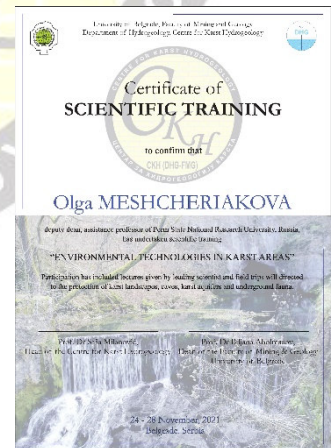
After successfully completing the scientific training, the members of the CKH and their guest took a tour to the Kalemegdan fortress, where **Dr. Saša Milanović** shortly presented the history of Belgrade and Serbia. The evening of the second day of the study visit was reserved for a visit to **Dr. Petar Milanović**, retired Full Professor.



The third day of the scientific training included one-day field trip to the part of the Carpatho-Balkanides of Eastern Serbia, where the Centre's members and **Dr. Meshcheriakova** visited some Serbian karst areas such as Krupajsko vrelo and Veliko vrelo karst springs, the Lisine waterfall and Ždrelo site, where a borehole with thermal water is located. During the field trip, all the theory presented a day before by **Dr. Milanović** and **Dr. Vasić** was successfully demonstrated on the field.



At the end of the day, **Dr. Milanović**, *Head of the Centre* closed the scientific training by expressing gratitude to **Dr. Meshcheriakova** for visiting the Centre for Karst Hydrogeology and collaboration of hers Perm State National Research University, hoping that the collaboration will be moved to the next level.



The Centre's members very much appreciate participation and contribution of **Dr. Meshcheriakova** to the scientific training "*Environmental Technologies in Karst Areas*" and looking forward to future collaborative events.

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