

Third Circular

INQUA PERIBALTIC WORKING GROUP / Meeting 2025

International Field Symposium: *“Quaternary Stratigraphy, Paleoenvironments and Geoarchaeology in central Germany”*

August 25.-29.08.2025 in Kloster Michaelstein (Michaelstein Abbey), Germany

Conference overview

The upcoming Peribaltic Working Group conference and field symposium will be held between August 25-29, 2025 at Michaelstein Abbey near Blankenburg (Harz) in central Germany. The scientific session is scheduled for August 26th, followed by a field trip from August 27-29, covering areas in the northern and eastern Harz foreland. Throughout the symposium and excursion we will be based at Michaelstein Abbey which provides accommodation and serves as the start and finish point of our daily excursions. As in previous Peribaltic WG meetings the scientific session is not restricted to topics mentioned in the symposium title, but contributions on a broad range of regionally or globally relevant Quaternary geological and archeological topics are invited.

Important Dates	
August 25, 2025	Arrival Check in, dinner at 6 pm, ice breaker
August 26, 2025	Scientific session (oral and poster sessions, see attached conference program) Start: 8:15 am / Venue: Musikscheune (<i>music barn</i>) on site
August 27, 2025	Full day excursion Northeastern and eastern Harz foreland
August 28, 2025	Full day excursion Northern Harz foreland and Schöningen coal pit
August 29, 2025	Half day Excursion Northern Harz foreland, End of meeting approx. 14:00 o'clock, Michaelstein Abbey

On the arrival day (25.08.2025) we offer an (optional) guided tour through historic Michaelstein Abbey (start at 4:30 pm).

Participants planning a late arrival (after 7 pm) are asked to inform the organizers until 10.08.2025 so that a late dinner can be arranged (Henrik.Rother@sachsen-anhalt.de).

For those who require a vegan diet or need other special considerations for food allergies and have not yet informed us about these are asked to do so until 10.08.2025 (use email address above).

Travel and transport

The conference will take place at Michaelstein Abbey / Blankenburg (Harz).

Street Address: Michaelstein 3, 38889 Blankenburg (Harz)

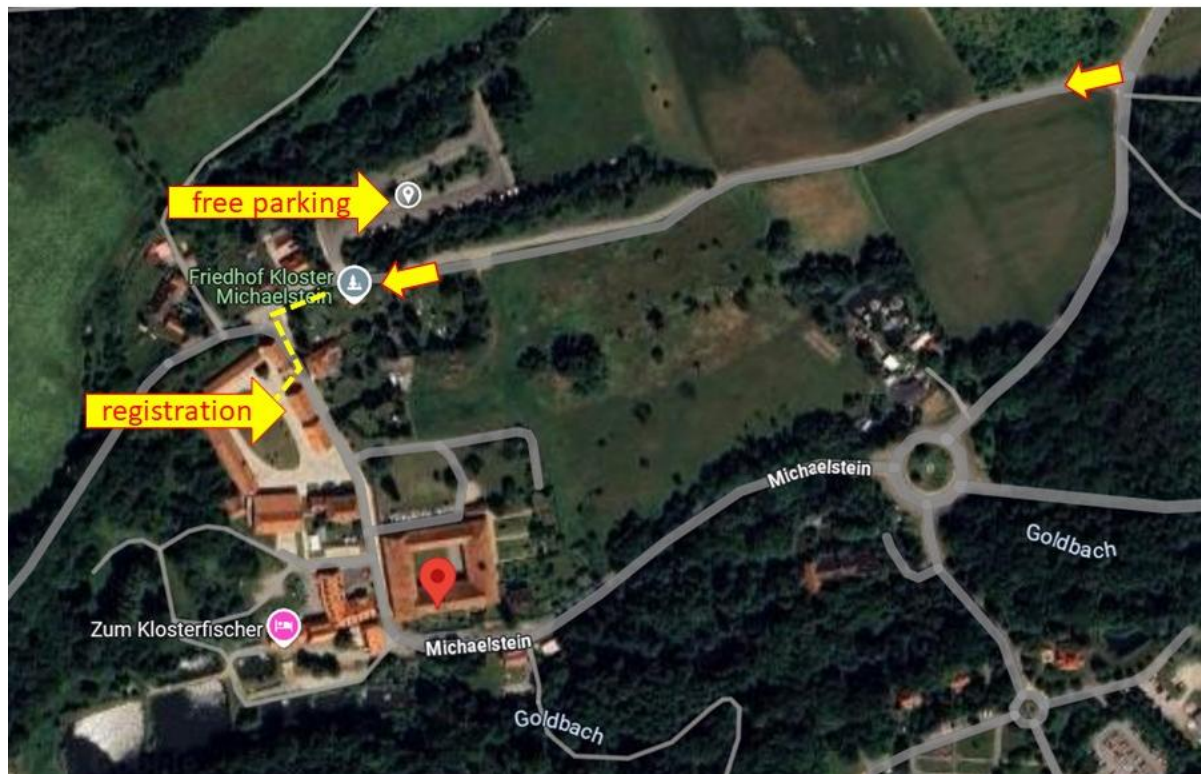
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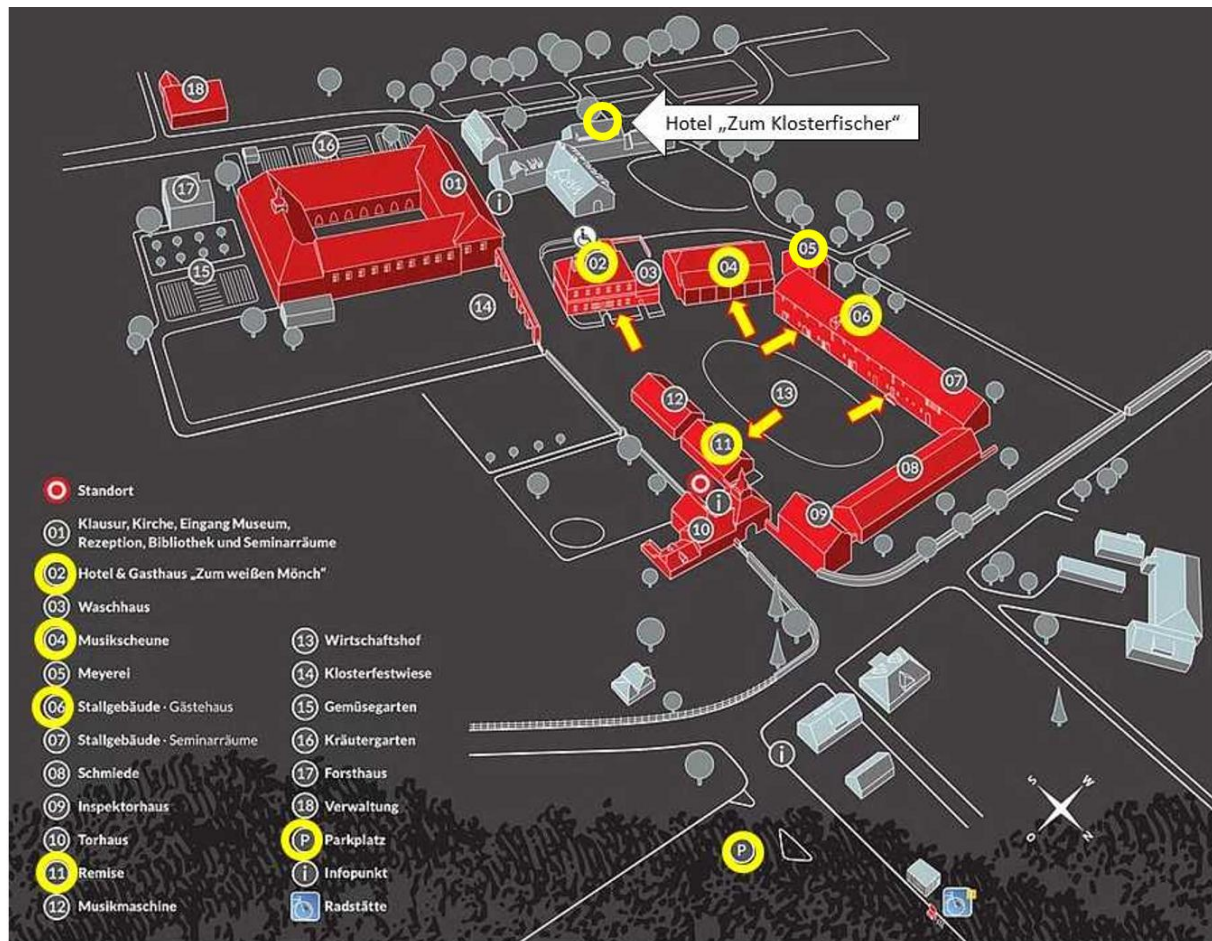
Michaelstein Abbey can be reached easily by car, the road distance from Berlin is ca. 250 km. The closest airports are located in Berlin and Leipzig, although Leipzig only offers a limited range of routes. From both airports there are train connections to the town of Blankenburg (Harz), located 4 km from the conference venue. On the arrival day (25.08.2025) the organizers offer to arrange a shuttle bus for transport from the train station at Blankenburg (Harz) to Michaelstein Abbey departing at 1:30 pm, 3:30 pm and 5:30 pm from the front entrance of the train station. **Participants arriving by train at Blankenburg (Harz) and require shuttle transport to the venue are asked to inform the organizers beforehand (Henrik.Rother@sachsen-anhalt.de).**

A return shuttle service between Michaelstein Abbey and Blankenburg (Harz) train station will also be available for the departure day (29.08.2025, after 2 pm).

Site map

Parking and registration





04 = Conference venue / 05 & 06 = Accommodation / 12 = Restaurant (breakfast + dinner)
11 = Remise building (conference registration & evening socializing) / P = parking

Conference program and abstract volume

The conference program and abstract volume will be sent jointly with the Third Circular to all registered participants and is also available for download via the Peribaltic work group website. Those with registered oral presentations are kindly asked to check timing and assigned duration of their presentation. Posters should be in A0 format (841 x 1189 mm) and in portrait orientation.

Social events

Ice-breaker: August 25, 2025, Michaelstein Abbey, Remise building (#11), after 7 pm

Outdoor barbecue: August 27, 2025 (7pm)

Business meeting / conference dinner: August 28, 2025 (please note that the dinner will take place in an informal setting, only casual clothing required)

We are looking forward to seeing all of you!

On behalf of the organizing committee

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