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call for abstracts

36th International Conference

BLASTING TECHNIQUE 2027

**dedicated to the 400th anniversary
of the use of black powder for blasting**

will be held

from 5. – 7. May 2027

**at the Congress centre Academia
in Stará Lesná in the High Tatras in Slovakia**



CONGRESS CENTRE ACADEMIA, STARÁ LESNÁ, VYSOKÉ TATRY, SLOVAKIA

Call for abstracts and presentations

Guidelines for preparing abstract, paper and presentation

Formatting requirements

- ✓ **Page margins:** 2,5 cm on all sides (standard margins)
- ✓ **Font:** Times New Roman, 12 pt
- ✓ **Line spacing:** 1,15
- ✓ **Spacing between paragraphs:** no spaces before or after paragraphs
- ✓ **Text alignment:** to the block
- ✓ **Total length of the abstract:** the complete abstract, including the title, authors, affiliations, keywords and main text, must not exceed 400 words and should fit on one A4 page
- ✓ **Total length of the paper:** maximum of 10 pages in MS Word
- ✓ **Accepted file format:** .docx
- ✓ **File name:** the file should be named using the presenting author's surname and the title of the presentation (e.g. Surname_Title)

Mandatory elements

- ✓ **Title:** written in bold and capital letters
- ✓ **Authors:** the full names of all authors, written in italics
- ✓ **Affiliations:** department, institution, company name, town and country
- ✓ **Presenting author:** must be clearly identified in the list of authors by underlining their name and providing their corresponding email address
- ✓ **Abstract text:** structured according to content, presenting the introduction, materials, procedures, methods, results and conclusions in the national language and in English
- ✓ **Lecture text:** in the national language or in English, with an abstract in the national language and in English
- ✓ **Keywords:** maximum of 3 keywords

Requirements for the presentation of a paper

- ✓ 20 minutes for the presentation
- ✓ 5 minutes for discussion or a question-and-answer session

Technical requirements

- ✓ The organisers will provide the necessary presentation equipment, including a computer, a projector and related audiovisual equipment.
- ✓ Presentations should be prepared in a standard electronic format compatible with commonly used presentation software, such as PowerPoint.
- ✓ Presenters are advised to bring a backup copy of their presentation.
- ✓ Any special technical requirements should be notified to the organisers in advance.

Publication of papers and presentations

- ✓ All papers presented will be published in an electronic, peer-reviewed conference proceedings volume.
- ✓ Each conference participant will be sent the conference proceedings in electronic form by email.

Deadlines

- ✓ Submission of the title and abstract of the presentation in the national language and in English: **31. January 2027**
- ✓ Submission of the full paper in the national language or in English, together with an abstract in the national language and in English: **31. March 2027**

Focus of the conference

The conference is focused on shotfirers, master blasters, workers in all sectors involving drilling and blasting operations, legislators, researchers and scientists, students and lecturers, as well as manufacturers, suppliers and users of drilling and blasting equipment.

Conference topics

- ✓ the history of the use of blasting in mining
- ✓ Legislation in Slovakia and the European Union, the implementation of new laws, and the licences of shotfirers and master blasters
- ✓ identification and traceability of explosives for civilian use
- ✓ blasting operations in tunnel excavation, mineral extraction, demolition, construction work and other works
- ✓ new drilling and blasting equipment
- ✓ seismic effects caused by blasting operations
- ✓ health and safety, emergencies and environmental impacts
- ✓ fireworks, pyrotechnics
- ✓ pyrotechnic works

Patronage of the conference

The conference is organised under the patronage of the Main Mining Authority in Banská Štiavnica and the BERG Faculty of the Technical University of Košice.

Conference language

- ✓ Slovak, Czech, Polish, English and Hungarian (translation into Slovak from English and Hungarian is provided)

Language of the proceedings

- ✓ Slovak, Czech, Polish and English

Contact details

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The Slovak Society for Blasting and Drilling is recorded in the register of non-governmental non-profit organisations maintained by the Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic under registration number VVS/1-900/90-2276, and is a member of ZSVTS – the Union of Slovak Scientific and Technical Societies – and a member of EFEE – the European Federation of Explosives Engineers.

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