



15th Annual Meeting
of the
**European Association of
Vertebrate Palaeontologists**



Munich, Germany
31st July to 5th August

Third Circular



Welcome EAVP

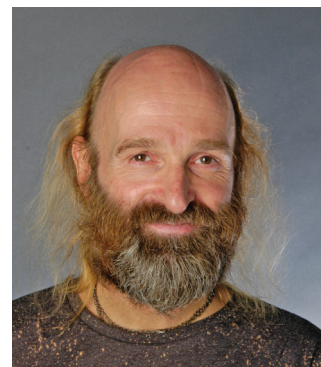
It was the summer of 2000, when the former European Workshop of Vertebrate Palaeontologists (EAWP) first landed on German ground in Karlsruhe. At that time this was a true 'workshop' with a long time for discussions around posters, special meetings and a room for workshops that formed spontaneously (even including a linguistic one!). There were about 50 attendees and thus there was no problem with the organisation. The idea to form the European Association of Vertebrate Palaeontologists (EAVP) was born during this meeting.

Now, after fourteen years as a formal association, we are back in Germany, and it is the third German meeting after Darmstadt 2005 and Berlin 2009. We will meet in the world-famous metropolis, the City of Munich, in the heart of Bavaria in the south of Germany. Historically, palaeontology has been institutionally established here since 1843 as part of the Ludwig-Maximilians University. This institution hosted world famous pioneers of vertebrate palaeontology, such as Karl von Zittel and Ferdinand Broili.

While political Europe is trying to handle a serious crisis, scientific Europe is coming together. The EAVP is an excellent example of this, as can be concluded from the continuously growing number of participants and nations. Yes, EAVP has become international, but this is also paralleled by a gradual decline of the workshop character, with its fruitful discussions and dissemination of new ideas. Hence, we all know: the larger a meeting, the fewer workshops that are possible without conflicts. Therefore it becomes increasingly important for us in our larger form to take note of the ecological impact of our annual conference – as palaeontologists, we have a long-term understanding of environmental consequences, and it is incumbent on us to act with awareness and responsibility. We therefore in particular commend this year's organisers for their efforts in this regard, with strenuous attempts to utilise reusable materials and locally-sourced produce, wherever possible.

When looking at the schedule of the Munich meeting, the attempt to revitalize the workshop idea becomes evident. It is similar to the meeting in Torino in 2014, but with a larger variety of special sessions, in which we can expect powerful discussions and scientific controversies. With a total of 209 submitted abstracts, this for the organisers is a challenge to manage.

Accordingly, on behalf of the EAVP, we wish to thank Gertrud Rößner and her team of helpers both locally- and internationally-based. The Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft has funded the meeting generously. Moreover, we are very grateful to the Bavarian Natural History Collections (Bavarian State Collection of Palaeontology and Geology, Zoological State Collection, Botanical State Collection) and Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (GeoBio-Center^{LMU},



Faculty of Geosciences, Palaeontology & Geobiology of the Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences) for their support in multiple ways.

Finally, thanks to the members of the EAVP Board for all the constructive discussions during the preparatory phase of this meeting, and to all of you, dear participants from all over the world, for your decision to attend. It would be great if many of you would decide to become a formal member of the EAVP, in order to demonstrate that scientists have something to say about being united across Europe.

Welcome to all. Let us make this conference a great success – and please don't forget to bring something cool for the auction.

See you there!

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18th July 2017

Dear Delegates,

The 15th Annual Meeting of the European Association of Vertebrate Palaeontologists is just a few days away and excitement increases accordingly. In order to make your attendance a pleasant and successful experience, we are providing you here with some final information. Please read it carefully. If you have any further requests or concerns, we will of course be more than happy to help.

Looking forward to welcoming you to Munich soon,
EAVP 2017 committee

Programme

The meeting programme including detailed scheduling of talks and posters can be publicly viewed at <https://www.conftool.net/eavp2017>. You can do an author search to find your contributions. When you log in as participant and click "Browse Conference Agenda" you can even create your individualized agenda by clicking the + on the right side of the respective contribution.

...at a glance

	Monday 07/31/17	Tuesday 1/8/2017	Wednesday 2/8/2017	Thursday 3/8/2017
8:00AM-8:15AM		Opening	Invited speaker GOSWAMI	
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10:30AM-10:45AM		Invited speaker DEMIGUEL	Archosauria	Mammalia
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Invited Speakers for EAVP 2017

Bhart-Anjan Bhullar, Yale University, New Haven (CT), USA

Daniel DeMiguel, Institut Català de Paleontologia, Barcelona, Spain

Anjali Goswami, University College London, UK

Alexandra Houssaye, Musée Nationale d'Histoire Naturelle / CNRS, Paris, France

Walter Joyce, University of Fribourg, Switzerland

Serdar Mayda, Ege University, Izmir, Turkey

Maria McNamara, University College Cork, Ireland

Symposia

Recent advances on the palaeoecology, evolution and extinction of the cave bear

Tuesday, 1st August 2017

Convenors: Anneke H. van Heteren, Munich, Germany & Borja Figueirido, Málaga, Spain

Forty years after the publication of 'The cave bear story' by the vertebrate palaeontologist Björn Kurtén, several aspects concerning the palaeobiology of this Quaternary icon are poorly understood. These aspects are mainly related to its ecological habits such as dietary behaviour, competition with humans, and hybridisation with coeval brown bears. For the symposium, our aims are (i) to bring together all authorities on cave bear biology in order to create an update encompassing the most recent advances in the field, which has been lacking since the publication of Kurtén's book in 1976; (ii) to join efforts among specialists in order to reach a consensus on specific aspects concerning cave bear biology that are still controversial, such as feeding behaviour or extinction, and to define future avenues of promising research; (iii) to discuss this exciting Quaternary subject face-to-face; and (iv) to have an opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the contributions of Dr. Björn Kurtén to the field of Quaternary Palaeontology.

Ecomorphology and functional anatomy in vertebrate palaeontology

Wednesday, 2nd August 2017

Convenors: Josep Fortuny, Paris, France & Cerdanyola del Valles, Spain;

Jordi Marcé-Nogué, Hamburg, Deutschland & Soledad De Esteban-Trivigno, Cerdanyola del Valles, Spain

This symposium intends to be the meeting point for all functional anatomists and evolutionary ecologists interested in vertebrate palaeontology. It aims to offer an occasion for positive research interactions and to discuss the state of the art of ecomorphology, functional anatomy and its perspectives (computational biomechanics, geometric morphometrics, functional approaches, paleobiology, paleoecology). All these topics provide new insights into the tissues that make up the musculo-skeletal system in vertebrates, their functional properties and their function. Moreover, constant methodological improvements and novelties are particularly important in ecomorphology and functional anatomy, implying the use of new and challenging methodologies in vertebrate palaeontology.

European Fossil Fish Symposium: Evolutionary history of fossil fish

Thursday, 3rd August 2017

Convenors: Adriana López-Arbarello, Munich, Germany & Bettina Reichenbacher, Munich, Germany

The European Fossil Fish Symposium is aimed to get together and enhance networking between palaeoichthyologists working in Europe or dealing with European fossil fishes. It welcomes any oral or poster contribution dealing with the evolution of European living and fossil

chondrichthyan and osteichthyan fishes (systematics, diversity, biogeography, palaeoecology, taphonomy, etc.). Accordingly, besides any work on European fossil fishes, research on living taxa would be suitable if related to the evolution of European fossil taxa. Similarly, research on fossil taxa outside Europe would be suitable if related to the evolution of living or fossil European taxa. As an exception, presentations from students working in Europe will be accepted even if they are not directly related to European taxa.

Information for Presenters

Invited talks are scheduled for 30 min with 10 min subsequent discussion each. **Oral presentations** are scheduled for **15 min** (incl. discussion) each. Please be aware that the **time restrictions are strict**. The schedule will be strictly followed as it is an extremely tight programme.

The **technical support** for oral presentations comprises:

- MacBook - Mac OS 10.12
- Powerpoint (MS Office 2016)
- Keynote 7.1
- Impress (Libre Office 5.2)
- Adobe Acrobat Reader
- Mac OS "Preview"

Please bring your presentation, preferably to on-site registration on Monday, 31 July 2017, evening or at the latest the day before your session, so that potential technical issues can be sorted out before sessions commence. Bring your presentations exclusively on a flash drive and save a .pdf version as well.

Posters will be presented on boards allowing for **portrait orientation only** and size **DIN A0**. Mounting materials will be provided on-site. There will be three different poster sessions on a daily rotational basis. Please take care to mount your poster in advance of the respective poster session (the poster room is accessible from 7.30am daily during EAVP 2017) and **remove it directly after the session ends**.

Registration Fees

Only late registration is still possible:

student member	80€
student non-member	100€
regular member	160€
regular non-member	180€

(includes meeting documents, ice breaker reception, auction, coffee breaks)

For your information, becoming an EAVP member and enjoying discounts on the meeting fees is easy. Please see http://www.eavp.org/blog/?page_id=434 .

Registration

Meeting registration is facilitated via <https://www.conftool.net/eavp2017> . As a first step, please visit the site and register as a user of our web-based event management system.

Pre-Meeting Events

Photogrammetry basics for palaeontologists: A workshop on how to take pictures and create a 3D model

Monday, 31st July 2017, 9am to 5pm (including lunch break)

Instructors: Matteo Belvedere, Porrentruy, Switzerland & Heinrich Mallison, Pöttmes, Germany

Photogrammetry as a method to create 3D visualizations has become an integral part of palaeontological research. In this workshop we will teach the basics of data capture, data handling (model creation) in the two most commonly used programs (Reality Capture and Photoscan Pro), and of basic file editing (cleanup, print-readying) in various freely available programs.

Participants should bring their own laptop computers, cameras (DSLR, compact, cellphone), (LED ring-)lights, and tripods. Scale bars will be provided. The workshop is limited to a maximum of 20 participants.

This event is fully booked!

Introduction to Finite Element Analysis (workshop sponsored by Transmitting Science)

Monday, 31st July 2017, 9am to 1pm (including break)

Instructor: *Jordi Marcé-Nogué, Hamburg, Germany*

The workshop will introduce vertebrate paleontologists to Finite Element Analysis (FEA), which is a great tool to approach problems in biomechanics of living and extinct organisms using digital models. Key questions in FEA models such as mesh size, boundary conditions, applied forces, scaling, numerical singularities, and, especially, how these models can be used and interpreted in a biological context will be thoroughly addressed using problem-based learning methods by discussing current published papers. The articles referred to in the workshop will be sent in advance to the participants. Voluntary reading prior to the workshop is recommended. Participants do not need to bring a computer. The duration is 4 hours, including break.

Neutron Imaging - Information beyond X-rays

Introduction to the ANTARES (Advanced Neutron Tomography And Radiography Experimental System) – facility at Heinz Maier-Leibnitz center of TU München

Monday, 31st July 2017, 2pm to 4pm

Presenter: *Burkhard Schillinger, Garching, Germany*

Thermal and fast neutrons can penetrate most metals while delivering high contrast for many light elements, which is often the opposite behavior of X-rays. Hydrogen, i.e. organic materials, can be detected even in lead enclosures. Neighboring elements, even isotopes of the same element, may deliver a very different contrast. X-ray methods are always the first choice for ease of application and availability, but neutron methods are great tools where X-rays fail, not only in cultural heritage.

Neutron Imaging has been used with great success for fossils embedded in red beds, i.e. iron containing materials that are impenetrable for X-rays. Fossilized teeth can be classified according to the interface between enamel and dentine, but only some specimens can be examined with X-rays or synchrotron radiation, while others deliver no contrast at all, because some – as yet undetermined – mineral exchange happened in the sediment embedding the fossil. Neutron imaging still delivers large contrast. Fossilized bones in chalk rock or conglomerates like breccia deliver very little contrast to the surrounding material for X-rays, while they can be easily distinguished using neutrons.

This information event will show several examples of neutron imaging in palaeontology as well as describe the ANTARES and NECTAR facilities for neutron imaging at the FRM II reactor of Technische Universität München and the free and easy access by short scientific proposals. Enquiries from the audience on suitability of neutron imaging for particular specimens / preservation are especially encouraged and will be discussed.

Women in palaeontology and ways to address gender disparity in career progression in STEM

Workshop and Roundtable Discussion

Monday, 31st July 2017, 4pm, to 6pm

Convenor: *Femke Holwerda, Munich, Germany; Soledad De Esteban-Trivigno, Cerdanyola del Valles, Spain & Edina Prondvai, Ghent, Belgium*

The event will start with a short introduction on gender disparity in STEM, supported by data from scientific studies. After this, experiences and challenges as women in science will be addressed through presentations, and propositions and objectives for the future will be discussed. The women's spokesperson of the Faculty of Geosciences of LMU München, Dr. Roswitha Stolz, will moderate the roundtable discussion.

Women AND men are welcome! The icebreaker starts right after, so discussion can be continued over drinks.

Field Trip

A two-day field trip has been organised by Gertrud Rössner, Oliver Rauhut and Ann-Marie Schilling. It is scheduled for 4th to 5th August 2017. On Friday we'll travel through the Molasse Basin and see the Naturmuseum in Augsburg, the Steinheim meteor crater with the Miocene Steinheim fossil site and accompanying museum, and Miocene fissure fills in Petersbuch near Eichstätt. We'll spend a night in Eichstätt and visit the Solnhofen Museum and several Upper Jurassic quarries in the Eichstätt and Kehlheim area on Saturday. We'll see exquisite fossils and outstanding fossil sites. We'll have lunch and dinner in traditional southern German places. Start will be at 8am on the 4th close to the Palaeontological Museum in Munich and we expect to return between 6:30pm and 7:30pm on Saturday. Please note that we cannot guarantee a return in time for any connecting travel arrangements that evening.

Manuela Aiglstorfer (Stuttgart), Elmar Heizmann (Stuttgart), Michael Rummel (Augsburg), Martin Röper (Solnhofen), Roland Pöschl (Mühlheim bei Mönsheim) and Raimund Albersdörfer (Dinosaurierparkes Altmühltal) will guide us through sites and museums.

This event is fully booked!

Social Events

On Monday, **31st July 2017**, we are expecting you at 6pm for the **Ice Breaker Reception** in the Palaeontological Museum and the adjacent yard. Finger food, including a considerable selection of vegetarian choices, tap water, schorle, beer, and wine of local production will all be provided.

On Wednesday evening, **2nd August 2017**, the **General Assembly** (or AGM) of the EAVP takes place at **7pm** in lecture hall C106 in a building directly accessible via the Palaeontological Museum. It is followed by the **Auction** in a very special location of the Palaeontological Museum at **8pm**. During the auction tap water, schorle, beer and wine will be provided.

The **Auction** is a key event in order to raise funds to assist attendance by those without institutional financial support at future EAVP meetings. We rely on the proceeds from this event more heavily than ever, **so please remember to bring items to donate to the auction**, and your **Euros** to support our grant recipients!

On Thursday, **3rd August 2017**, the **Conference Dinner** and subsequent **Farewell Party** are scheduled in the restaurant of the Botanical Garden Munich (www.botmuc.de/en/cafe) at **8pm**. Conference dinner registration comprises an aperitif, all beverages (mineral water, soft drinks, wine, beer) for the evening, a three-course-meal including buffets of mediterranean starters (mainly vegetarian) and desserts as well as a choice of three main courses (please make your choice at the latest upon registration at the meeting office, you will be asked for your decision then):

- **homemade ravioli** with a filling of spinach and ricotta cheese in butter-sage-sauce,
- duetto of **grilled gilthead fillet and salmon** with potatoes and vegetables,

- **Piccata Lombarda** (veal medallions) in lemon-white wine-sauce with rosemary potatoes and vegetables.

The restaurant is prepared for the arrival of dinner guests from 7pm onwards, and a tour of the gardens will be available (see 'Guided Tours' below). The local bar will be open, but please consider that cocktails and spirits are NOT included in the EAVP Conference Dinner.

DJ Márton Rabi (Tübingen) will please us with a mix of 50s-60s soul, r&b, exotica, ska with a bit of 70s funk until 1am, 4th August.

IMPORTANT: Please bring your name badges, as the guest list will be checked at the entrance of the Botanical Garden.

Guided Tours

There will be a selection of free guided tours through different collections and exhibitions of the Bavarian State Natural History Collections. Please let us know upon registration at the meeting office, if you want to register for:

- **Palaeontological Museum of Munich**, special exhibition "Palaeontology and Geology through the Ages", Tuesday, 1st August 2017, 7pm, guide Deputy Director Dr. Mike Reich. The exhibition is dedicated to the 175th anniversary of the Bavarian State Collection of Palaeontology and Geology and deals with a variety of aspects related to the history of the institution including collection key areas.
- **Zoological State Collection**, Tuesday, 1st August 2017, 7pm.
The tour through the collections will have a focus on vertebrates and consists of four parts, given by the curators of Ichthyology (Dr. Ulrich Schliewen), Herpetology (Dr. Frank Glaw), Ornithology (Markus Unsöld) and Mammalogy (Dr. Anneke van Heteren), respectively. It will also include historic (type) specimens, such as those collected by Johann Baptist Ritter von Spix in the early 19th century.
- **Botanical Garden**, green houses and garden, 3rd August 2017, 7pm, Dr. Andreas Gröger. Specific interests can be addressed on request.

Accommodation

A list of hotels, hostels, pensions etc. was provided in the second circular (see <http://www.lmu.de/eavp2017/eavp2017secondcircular.pdf>).

Conference Office

Palaeontological Museum, Richard-Wagner-Strasse 10, 80333 München, first floor, **room D109**.

Opening hours:

Monday, 31st July 2017, 4pm to 8pm;

Tuesday, 1st August 2017, 7:30am to 5pm;

Wednesday, 2nd August 2017, 7:30am to 5pm;

Thursday, 3rd August 2017, 7:30am to 5pm.

Wi-Fi/WLAN Internet Access

Access open in lecture halls C106, D011, D012, D108, and conference office:

Monday, 31st July 2017, 8am to 8pm;

Tuesday, 1st August 2017, 8am to 8pm;

Wednesday, 2nd August 2017, 8am to 8pm;

Thursday, 3rd August 2017, 8am to 8pm.

Where to Eat

In order to help you organise your lunch breaks, please have a look at this list of near-by places:

- **Ginger** (Asia Restaurant & Bar), Augustenstraße 56, ~3 min (on foot), via Gabelsbergerstraße
- **Ella**, Luisenstrasse 33, ~2 min (on foot) via Richard-Wagner-Str.
- **Löwenbräukeller** (Traditional Bavarian brewery), Nymphenburger Str. 2, ~7 min (on foot) via Briennerstraße
- **Park Café**, Sophienstraße 7, ~10 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße
- **The Victorian House - Cafe Klenze**, Barer Str. 27, ~8 min (on foot) via Gabelsbergerstraße
- **Geisel's Vinothek**, Schützenstraße 11, ~15 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße, ~10 min (by subway: U2 line, from Königsplatz Station to Hauptbahnhof Station, Central Station)
- **Café Jasmin** (Breakfast und Caffé), Steinheilstraße 20, ~5 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße and Steinheilstraße
- **Rustico** (Italian Restaurant), Marsstraße 16, ~15 min (on foot) via Brienner Straße and Seidlstraße
- **Sophia's Restaurant & Bar** (Italian Restaurant), Sophienstraße 28, ~8 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße
- **Hans im Glück – Burgergrill**, Luisenstraße 14, ~ 6 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße
- **Benko Cafe**, Luisenstraße 41, ~2 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße
- **Maharani** (Indian food), Rottmannstraße 24, ~8 min (on foot) via Gabelsbergerstraße and Rottmannstraße
- **Kaito** (Sushi), Gabelsbergerstraße 85, ~6 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße and Gabelsbergerstraße
- **Steinheil 16**, Steinheilstraße 16, ~5 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße and Steinheilstraße
- **Restaurant Cardamon**, Gabelsbergerstraße 50, ~5 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße and Gabelsbergerstraße
- **Drunken Cow Bar & Grill**, Gabelsbergerstraße 58, ~6 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße and Gabelsbergerstraße
- **Campanula** (Asian food), Gabelsbergerstraße 46, ~5 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße and Gabelsbergerstraße
- **Bowls Blenders**, Augustenstraße 31, ~4 min (on foot) via Richard-Wagner-Str., Brienner Str. and Augusten Str.
- **Ristorante Galdoni** (Pizza), Augustenstraße 31, ~4 min (on foot) via Richard-Wagner-Str., Brienner Str. and Augusten Str.
- **Nasca Restaurant**, Enhuberstraße 1, ~6 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße and Enhuberstraße
- **Caféhaus Griesbeck**, Theresienstraße 49, ~5 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße
- **Café Lotti**, Schleißheimer Str. 13, ~8 min (on foot) via Gabelsbergerstraße
- **Bambushain**, Schleißheimer Str. 14, ~8 min (on foot) via Gabelsbergerstraße
- **Cafe Joon**, Theresienstraße 114, ~6 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße and Theresienstraße
- **Tafel & Schwafel**, Augustenstraße 80, ~6 min (on foot) via Gabelsbergerstraße and Augustenstraße
- **Little Tokyo**, Steinheilstraße 21, ~5 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße and Steinheilstraße
- **Agusto77**, Augustenstraße 77, ~6 min (on foot) via Gabelsbergerstraße and Augustenstraße

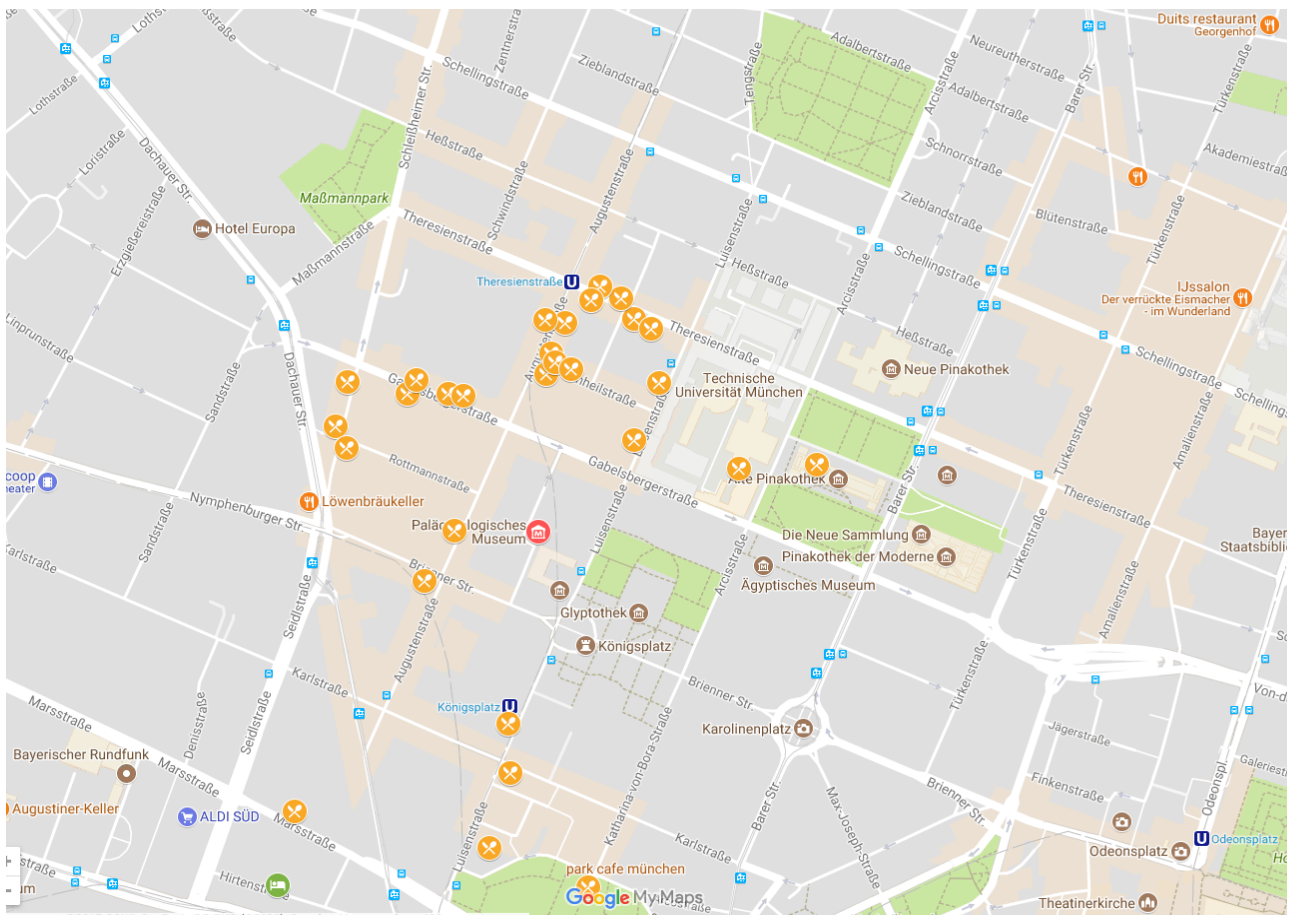
- **Kartoffelkönig** (Vegan), Theresienstraße 122, ~7 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße and Theresienstraße
- **Aposto München**, Luisenstraße 27, ~4 min (on foot) via Luisenstraße
- **Lucaffé**, Theresienstraße 59, ~8 min (on foot) via Gabelsbergerstraße and Augustenstraße

Please take into consideration that not all places are suitable for larger groups, however Hans im Glück, Löwenbräu, Park Café and Café Ella will all take larger groups in.

For an interactive google map with restaurants and hotels in the area around the Palaeontological Museum and around the Zoological Collections, see:

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Ecological Conference Management

EAVP 2017 is dedicated to the promotion of ecological conference management. A major objective is to avoid products exclusively produced for EAVP 2017. Hence, we are asking for understanding that we will abstain from merchandising articles with the meeting logo, including conference bags. Moreover, we anticipate opting out of distribution of USB-sticks, providing an abstract book printed on recycled paper, for catering and the conference dinner regional food and beverages will be preferred, as well as a focus on quality vegetarian food, for providing tap water instead of bottled water, and for avoiding plastic cutlery and tableware. We encourage you to bring your own sustainable water bottles and leave the plastic holders for the meeting badges with us for re-use before you leave Munich.

As the meeting venue is closely located to the Munich main station (10 minutes walk) and well connected to public transport, we encourage attendees to consider train journeys instead of

airplane or car/coach journeys as far as possible. For those arriving at Munich Airport, public transportation to the Munich Hauptbahnhof (main station) runs every 10 minutes for most of the day. For those who ordered a **MVV ticket**, please remember to bring them with you!

Communication

Constantly updated information on EAVP 2017 is being provided via the EAVP web site: <https://www.eavp.com/blog>, the dedicated meeting webpage (www.lmu.de/eavp2017), and social media (<https://www.facebook.com/EAVPalaeo>, <https://twitter.com/EAVPalaeo>).

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See you soon in Munich!