

Balkan Speleological Union was founded

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From 5 to 8 September 2002 in the Recreation and Health Center "Ledenika", Vrachanska Mt., Bulgaria the First Meeting of National Speleological Organizations of Balkan Peninsula were held. The representatives of Bulgarian, Greek, Macedonian, Serbian and Montenegro, Slovenian speleological organizations took part in this historical event. They discussed the creation of Balkan Speleological Union its Statute, Protocol of cooperation among the speleologists of the presented Balkan countries. All these documents were accepted after voting. At last the Act of creation was signed.

The delegates elected Bureau like follows:

Peter BERON (Bulgaria)- President
Kostantinos ZOUPIS (Greece)-Vice president
Alexey JALOV (Bulgaria)-General Secretary
Ivan ZHEZOVSKI (Macedonia)- Member
Jakofcic Juril JAKA (Slovenia) - Member

The Balkan Speleological Union (BSU) will be registered legally in Athens, Greece.

The official post address of BSU is the address of its General Secretary:

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The national speleological federations of Albania, Croatia, Romania and Bosnia & Herzegovina

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who was not able to take part in the meeting had declared their readiness to join BSU. Turkey are also invited in the Union so we hope that in the future all Balkan countries will be together in it.

ACT

For Foundation of Balkan Speleological Union (BSU)

We, Representatives of National Speleological Organizations of Balkan Countries,
On a Meeting in Vratza, Bulgaria, on September 7th 2002 in the spirit of brotherly cooperation and wishing to enhance and to develop further the ties between us and to make more effective our research and activities,
Decided to create a Balkan Speleological Union, with the hope that all Balkan countries will join it, for the progress of our countries, the better mutual understanding and for the rapid development of the Speleology on the Balkan Peninsula. It will be a regional organization working in the spirit of UIS.
During this Meeting a fruitful discussion resulted in accepting of a Protocol for cooperation and of the Statute of the Union. We therefore declare our intention to work together with all speleologists in the world in the caves of one of the most spectacular caving territories – our Balkan Peninsula.

Signed in Vratza at 7 September, 2002.