

# Welcome to Karstology doctoral study

The Karstology doctoral study programme is a world-wide unique programme which provides a comprehensive study of karst science, combining the study of the karst landscape, karst caves, karst hydrogeology, biology and ecology of karst in one course of study. It was designed for students who wish to gain deeper insight of this broadly integrated system of karst sciences. The fundamental objective of the programme is to produce two types of karstologists. The first is the karstologist-researcher who can conduct independent research on karst and karst phenomena from multiple aspects. The second type is the karstologist-manager who can apply the full knowledge of karst conveyed by narrowly specialized experts for different applications (economy, education, protection). The programme was developed with researchers of the Karst Research Institute at Research Centre of the Slovene Academy of Sciences and Arts (ZRC SAZU) and is carried out by professors and researchers from Karst Research Institute and invited foreign professors, and is coordinated and managed by the University of Nova Gorica. Lectures and research take place in the premises of the Karst Research Institute in Postojna where students are provided all necessary professional and scientific support for their own research work. Successful functioning of doctoral study programme Karstology resulted in naming it in 2014 as the **UNESCO Chair on Karst Education**.

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