



Above—The Stromboli volcano—photo Carmelo Bucolo



Right—A large lava roll in Catanese II Cave—photo G I Sanfilippo

19th International Symposium on Vulcanospeleology (August 2021)

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John Brush has provided an update about the status of the 19th International Symposium on Vulcanospeleology (ISV-19), which is scheduled to take place from 28 August to 4 September this year at Catania in Sicily.

Despite the serious COVID-19 situation around the world, including in several European countries, and the current restrictions and uncertainties associated with international air travel, the ISV-19 organisers remain confident that they will be able to stage a vibrant, successful and COVID-safe symposium this year.

For detailed information on the Symposium, please refer to the [Third Circular](#)— available on the ISV-19 Website and also via the Commission's [website](#). The 3rd Circular was also published in the Commission's *Volcanic Caves Newsletter*, Issue 77 (Published in January 2021). The current [draft program](#) is also available on the website.

The ISV-19 organisers have advised that those who intend presenting a paper at the Symposium will need to send a copy of their paper to the organisers by 31 May 2021 to facilitate preparation and production of the Symposium Proceedings. For further details on presentation requirements, please refer to pages 19-21 of the Third Circular.