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**Sat, 16.06.2018**

## **Excursion to Messel Pit Fossil Site**



This excursion will take you to a definite must-see in Hessen, not only for those who like fossils. The UNESCO world heritage site contains unique fossils from the Eocene dating back 50 million years. The Messel Pit is a disused quarry in an ancient lakebed, in which bituminous shale was mined. First animal fossil remains were discovered in 1875. Subsequent excavations have led to the identification of 40 species, including mammals, birds, reptiles, fish and insects.

Together we will have a guided tour around the pit and visit the excellent museum on site.

### **Programme:**

- 9:45 am Meeting at Frankfurt Central Train Station, platform 11
- 11:00 am Arrival to Messel Pit and Visit to the permanent exhibition
- 12:00 am Guide tour through the pit
- 1:00 pm Lunch at Cafeteria
- 2:40 pm Departure from Messel Pit
- 4:15 pm Arrival to Frankfurt Central Station

**Service and entrance fee/pers.: 16 €/11 € for children [7-18 yrs.] (lunch not included)**

**Again, the number of participants will be limited to 20. Thus, early registration is recommended to the following adress by 04.06.2018: ([vonbothmer@em.uni-frankfurt.de](mailto:vonbothmer@em.uni-frankfurt.de))**



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