The 38th Annual Meeting of the Spanish Mineralogical Society (SEM) was held 25–28 June 2019 in Ronda (Málaga, Spain). The meeting started with a one-day seminar (June 25) entitled “Critical Mineral Resources”, followed by two days (June 26 and 27) of oral communications, poster sessions and two plenary lectures: one by Prof. Giacomo Chiari, former head of research at the Getty Conservation Institute in Los Angeles (California, USA); and one by Prof. Francisco Velasco Roldán, from the University of the Basque Country (Spain). The meeting finished on June 28 with a field trip to the ultramafic rock massif of Ronda (Sierra Bermeja area). The meeting was organized by members of the Department of Mineralogy and Petrology of the University of Granada (Spain), together with a small group of students who contributed to the smooth running of the scheduled activities (see conference website: http://congresomineralogia.es/). Also at the meeting was the launch of the field guide book Geology and Metallogeny of Upper Mantle Rocks from the Serranía de Ronda, written by Fernando Gervilla, José María González-Jiménez, Karoly Hidas, Claudio Marchesi and Rubén Piña. The publication of this book was funded by the SEM. It collates current knowledge about the geology, geochemistry, geochronology and metallogeny of the rocks of the Serranía de Ronda.

Third European Mineralogical Conference in Kraków (Poland)
The Third European Mineralogical Conference will be held from Sunday, 6 September 2020 until Thursday, 10 September 2020 at the Auditorium Maximum, the conference centre of the Jagiellonian University in Kraków (Cracow) (Poland).

Thanks to the involvement of the members from all the main European mineralogical societies, a wide range of scientific sessions has been prepared. The full list of sessions, arranged in 17 themes, is listed at the conference website: https://emc2020.ptmin.eu/. The local organizing committee has prepared numerous attractions to accompany the main event. These include pre-conference workshops and post-conference field trips. We hope to meet you in Kraków during emc2020.

For the latest updates in regards to COVID-19, please visit the meeting website.