In 2015 the 100th anniversary of the death of Austrian polar explorer Julius Payer takes place. To commemorate the great achievements of Julius Payer for the international polar sciences the 1st Central European Polar Meeting is organised in Vienna in cooperation with the Austrian National Committee for Global Change. It will bring together polar researchers from Central European countries and beyond, including distinguished senior scientists, but also early career scientists and the next generation of polar researchers. Besides presentation of newest results from ongoing research activities, the conference is one of the first international activities of the newly established Central European Polar Partnership, which aims at increasing the visibility and coordinating polar research in and between the participating countries.

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Provisional time plan:
- 10th – 13th November 2015, Vienna, Austria
- Tue: Welcome and scientific program
- Wed-: Scientific meeting Presentations/Posters
- Fri: Public Science Day and Press Release