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Joint Meeting and Field-Workshop

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2nd Circular
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**Extended Deadlines**

Registration and payment: **10th April 2014**
Abstract submission: **10th April 2014**

**Conference Fees & Payment Details**

Regular: 170 USD / Students: 120 USD / Accompanying person: 120 USD
Field-Workshop (including local airfare): 1.500 USD
Social day: 30 USD
Conference dinner: 50 USD

**Payment Mode:**
Please transfer Conference Fees to the following bank account:
Beneficiary’s bank: GOLOMT BANK OF MONGOLIA
Beneficiary’s name: Gonchigdorj Sersmaa
Beneficiary’s account number: 1102738062
Swift code: GLMTMNUB
* Please use IGCP in combination with your surname when making payment: IGCP_surname

**Information of the Symposium**

Web (IGCP 580): http://www2.ulg.ac.be/geolsed/MS/

For any questions please contact with the main organizers.
Contact persons: Johnny A. Waters (watersja@appstate.edu), Erika Kido (erika.kido@uni-graz.at).
Abstract submission

Abstracts are limited to a maximum length of 2 pages (including figures or tables). Please submit your abstract-text as word-doc. or docx. file using conventions (see below). Figures and tables shall be sent as jpg file, 300dpi, either grey-scale or colour (08bit or 24bit). Maximum figure-size: 160x230mm. Please send your abstract to Johnny A. Waters (watersja@appstate.edu) and Cc to Erika Kido (erika.kido@uni-graz.at).

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 10th April 2014. Please consider that abstracts will be included in the volume only after payment.

Echinoderm Community Evolution in the Devonian and Mississippian

(Waters, J.A. & DE REUIL, A.A.1 (Arial, 12pt, bold)

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Crinoids and blastoids reached their zenith in generic richness and abundance during the Mississippian, leading many paleontologists to refer to the interval as the “Age of Crinoids” (KAMMER & AUSICH, 2006). Crinoids and blastoids were ..... (Arial, 10pt)

References (Arial, 9pt, bold)


Oral and Poster Presentation

Oral and poster presentations are arranged within the scientific programme on 5th and 6th August and will take place in the conference room of Mongolian University of Science and Technology (MUST). Oral presentations are scheduled for 20 minutes including 5 minutes for questions and discussions. Keynote lectures are extended to 30 minutes including 5 minutes for open discussion. Please prepare your contribution on CD-Rom or USB-stick. Files are going to be uploaded each day 20 minutes before we start the first morning session. Please note that respective to a recent upgrade of the standard software on our conference PC we are able to accept presentations running with Windows 7 and Microsoft Office 2010 (PPT 2010).

If you give a poster presentation, please prepare your contribution on format A0, portrait. Participants are encouraged to display their posters for the entire duration of the scientific sessions. Each presenter should prepare a short summary of his/her poster (each poster max. 5 minutes). The official conference language is English.

Visa Application

Participants, who require a support letter for visa application, please directly contact Ariunchimeg Yarinpil (ariunchimeg@mail.ru).

Financial Support

Students and participants from developing countries who are in need of financial support to attend the meeting are encouraged to contact the conference organizers. We will support as many colleagues as possible based on IGCP funding we receive for 2014.
General Program

Mon, 4 August. Registration (16:00-18:00) & Ice-breaker (18:00-

Tue, 5 August. Opening of Conference & Scientific Session 1

Wed, 6 August. Scientific Session 2 & IGCP Business meeting

Thu, 7 August. Social day & Conference Dinner

Fri, 8-Mon, 18 August. Field-Workshop in western Mongolia

Schedule for the Field-Workshop

Fri, 8 August. Flight from Ulaanbaatar to Khovd

Sat, 9 August. Car-ride towards south to the field area (section is located directly at the Mongolian-Chinese border)

Sun, 10-Fri, 15 August. Working days

Sat, 16 August. Return to Khovd; Camping overnight

Sun, 17 August. Stay in Khovd

Mon, 18 August. Flight from Khovd to Ulaanbaatar

The participants will be transported by the conference staff from the Chinggis Khaan International Airport to their hotels by car. Please let organizers (Waters and Cc. to Kido) know your arrival information via email until 15th July.

The Ice-breaker, registration and scientific sessions will take place in/around the conference room of the Mongolian University of Science and Technology (MUST). You can access the internet via WiFi around the conference room. Furthermore, departure place for the Field-Workshop is planned at the parking place in the MUST. All participants will also come back to the MUST on 18 August. Hotel rooms in UB (before and after the Field-Workshop) are not included in the registration fees. Do not forget to reserve the hotel by your selves!

All rock samples from the field area will be carried to the Palaeontological Centre, Mongolian Academy of Sciences, where the samples are prepared for postal sending to each participant’s institution. Please note that participants are not allowed to bring back any samples on their own without permission!
Field-Workshop in western Mongolia

A Field Workshop is planned to the *Middle to Late Devonian deposits of the Barunhuurai Terrane in the western Mongolia* (the trip is limited to max. 15 participants). The Devonian units of the Barunhuurai Terrane are characterized by volcaniclastic rocks with intercalated fossil-rich marl to limestone lenses. These units were deposited on an island arc complex of the same tectonic terrane as similar Devonian units in the western and eastern Junggar in northwestern China.

During the Field Workshop, participants will work together in the section sampling the sequence for multidisciplinary studies (taxonomy of fossils, geochemistry and geophysics, tectonics). The participants who consider joining the Field Workshop will be provided detailed geological information of the study area and section including a working plan.

The field localities will be in the desert, far away from any village or medical care centres. As there are no accommodation in the field area, participants should bring their own camping tents and sleeping bags. Temperatures are variable with hot days and cool evenings. The technical field staff will be organized by Mongolian colleagues and they will help participants during the workshop (e.g., driving, cooking, first aid treatment, etc.). For the participants who are vegetarian, options for food can be accommodated.

The city of UB - and how to get to the Hotel and the Meeting place

Ulaanbaatar can be reached via the International Airport (Chinggis Khaan International Airport). The Airport is located ca. 18 km southwest of the capital of the city. The Scientific Meeting will be held in the MUST (conference room) at the Mongolian University of Science and Technology. During the Social Day, a visit at the University Museum followed by a city tour is planned.

Weather Information

The weather in Ulaanbaatar is mild during August; temperatures range between min. 7 to max. 23 degrees. Average rainfall days for Ulaanbaatar counts about 12 days.

Accommodation

Following hotels close to the conference place (Mongolian University of Science and Technology) are recommended (cost of the rooms and location are shown below in USD and Mongolian MNT). Participants should contact hotels directly to make their reservations.

1. Zaluuchuud Hotel ([www.zh.mn](http://www.zh.mn))

2. Misheel hotel ([www.michellehotel.com](http://www.michellehotel.com))
   - Deluxe - 90 $  
   - Standard single - 60$

3. Puma Hotel ([www.pumaimperialhotel.mn](http://www.pumaimperialhotel.mn))

4. Tuushin Hotel ([www.bestwesternmongolia.mn](http://www.bestwesternmongolia.mn))

5. Ulaanbaatar Hotel ([www.ubhotel.mn](http://www.ubhotel.mn))