The Fourth International Symposium of International Geoscience Programme
IGCP Project 608

“Cretaceous Ecosystems and Their Responses to
Paleoenvironmental Changes in Asia and the Western Pacific”

August 15–20, 2016, Novosibirsk, Russia

Second Circular
INVITATION & AIMS

We cordially invite you to participate in the 4th International Symposium of IGCP608, which will be held from August 15 to 20, 2016 in Trofimuk Institute of Petroleum Geology and Geophysics of Siberian Branch of Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibirsk (Russia).

The mechanisms underlying the evolution of the Asia-Pacific Cretaceous ecosystems are far from being fully understood. The IGCP608 project is aimed to reconstruct the Cretaceous ecosystems and the history of their responses to paleoenvironmental changes in Asia and the Western Pacific. The Symposium will serve as a platform for participants to share their views on the paleoenvironmental changes impacts both on terrestrial and marine ecosystems. The scientific programme will cover a wide range of topics including paleoclimate, paleogeography, paleontology, stratigraphy, tectonics, and petroleum geology.

The symposium is dedicated to the 105th anniversary of the birth of Corresponding Member of the USSR Academy of Sciences, Professor Vladimir N. Saks (1911–1979), Soviet geologist and paleontologist, and the founding father of the Mesozoic paleontology and stratigraphy Research Group in Novosibirsk Academy Town.

The 4th International Symposium of the IGCP608 in Novosibirsk will provide an opportunity for discussion of the latest advances in studies of Asia-Pacific Cretaceous ecosystems. In addition to scientific sessions, the post-symposium field excursion will be organized in Kemerovo Oblast to examine the non-marine Cretaceous deposits yielding dinosaurs and other vertebrates.

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Cretaceous Commission of the Interdepartmental Stratigraphic Committee of Russia
Russian National Committee for International Geoscience Programme
GENERAL INFORMATION

Preliminary schedule

Sunday, August 14, 2016 – Arrival of participants.
Monday, August 15, 2016 – Opening ceremony, scientific sessions, welcome dinner.
Tuesday, August 16, 2016 – Scientific sessions, business meeting.
Wednesday, August 17, 2016 – Scientific sessions.
Thursday to Saturday, August 18–20, 2016 – Post-symposium field excursion "Cretaceous dinosaur-bearing deposits in Kemerovo Oblast".
Sunday, August 21, 2016 – Departure of participants.

Venue

The Symposium and scientific sessions will be held at Trofimuk Institute of Petroleum Geology and Geophysics of Siberian Branch of Russian Academy of Sciences, Novosibirsk Academy Town, Russia.
Academician Koptyug av., 3.
Website: http://www.ipgg.sbras.ru/en

Trofimuk Institute of Petroleum Geology and Geophysics (IPGG) SB RAS, a federal state-funded academic institution, was established in 2005. The Institute succeeds the Institute of Geology and Geophysics, one of the first academic institutions in Academy Town (Akademgorodok) built in close vicinity of Novosibirsk. Institute of Geology and Geophysics was founded in 1957 on the initiative of Academician Andrey A. Trofimuk. IPGG SB RAS consists of four divisions (petroleum geology, stratigraphy and sedimentology, geophysics, and geophysical and geochemical instrument engineering), comprising altogether 35 laboratories, and includes three affiliated branches: West Siberian (Tyumen), Tomsk (Tomsk) and Yamal-Nenets (Nadym) affiliates.
Topics

- Biodiversity of terrestrial and marine ecosystems
- Biotic evolution: Asian and Western Pacific fauna and flora
- Climatic and environmental changes
- Paleogeography and paleobiogeography
- Stratigraphy, sedimentology and mineral resources
- Cretaceous dinosaurs of Asia and Western Pacific

The time allocated to each oral presentation will be 15 minutes, plus 5 minutes for questions. We also welcome poster presentations.

Post-symposium field excursion

Thursday, August 18, 2016 – travel Novosibirsk – Kemerovo, visiting the Kemerovo Regional Museum of Local Lore, arrival to hotel in Kemerovo.

Friday, August 19, 2016 – visiting Cretaceous dinosaur localities near the village of Shestakovo in Kemerovo Oblast.

Saturday, August 20, 2016 – visiting the “Tomskaya pisanitsa” (historical cultural and natural museum-preserve: [http://www.gukmztp.ru/eng_index.html](http://www.gukmztp.ru/eng_index.html)) and returning to Novosibirsk.

Registration Fees

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| Technical sessions (including admission fee, abstract volume, refreshments, lunches, welcome dinner and other social events) | Regular participant: **US$ 300**  
Student: **US$ 150**  |
| Post-symposium field excursion  
(including excursion guidebook, accommodation, meals, refreshments, and transportation during the excursion) | **US$ 300** |
Language of the Symposium

The official language of the symposium is English.

Financial Support

The Organizing Committee will provide financial support for some of the expenses such as registration fee, accommodations or field excursion fee mainly from developing countries, who satisfy the following conditions: 1) submit an abstract before the deadline and 2) participate in the symposium. In principle, a few participants per country will be given support, and priority will be given to the Regional Coordinators and younger scientists.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Participants who wish to give a presentation (oral or poster) should submit an extended abstract of their presentation. The extended abstract should not exceed 3 single-spaced pages (A4 size), including figures, tables, and references. Text (including tables and the reference list) should be set in 12-point Times New Roman font. For any text in figures, the preferred font is Arial, and font size may range from 7 to 12 points. Figures will be printed in greyscale (or black-and-white). All margins (top, bottom, left, right) should be 20 mm.

Abstracts should have the following structure: Title; Author(s); Affiliations, including e-mail address of the first author; Text; References; Figure and Table Captions.

The extended abstract should be submitted as e-mail attachments: text in MS Word or Rich Text Format (RTF), and artwork file(s) in EPS, CDR, TIFF, or JPEG formats.

Each participant may submit up to three first-authored abstracts.

Please send your abstract(s) to Dr. Oksana S. Dzyuba (e-mail: dzyubaos@ipgg.sbras.ru), no later than May 15, 2016.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Novosibirsk International Airport (Tolmachevo) is one of the most dynamically developing airports with the federal status, the largest transit hub beyond the Ural mountains on the major routes connecting Europe and Asia. The geographical position of Novosibirsk International Airport allows it to serve prospective cross-polar routes connecting North America and Asia.

Tolmachevo Airport website: http://eng.tolmachevo.ru/airport/info

Novosibirsk Railway station: Novosibirsk-Glavny is the primary passenger railway station for the city of Novosibirsk in Russia, and an important stop along the Trans-Siberian Railway. The station is one of the largest in Russia.

Russian Railways website: http://eng.rzd.ru/
The Organizing Committee has arranged for special rates for Symposium participants at the Hotel "Golden Valley" and the Novosibirsk State University Hostel. Participants are kindly requested to inform us about their choice of accommodation.

**Hotel "Golden Valley"**

(rates per person per night)

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**Novosibirsk State University Hostel (NSU Hostel)**

There is also a possibility of accommodation in the new NSU hostel (Lyapunov str., 4), which was built in 2010. Rates: 600 RUB per person, per night.

Additional information: [http://www.nsc.ru/interval/NSUhostel/NSUhostel.html](http://www.nsc.ru/interval/NSUhostel/NSUhostel.html)
INVITATION AND VISA

Foreign citizens are required to obtain a Russian visa in order to enter the Russian Federation. Exceptions exist for citizens from countries with which the Russian Federation has established a visa-free entry agreement. The required document for obtaining Russian visa is an Invitation Letter. Participants, who need an Invitation Letter for visa application, please fill out “VISA APPLICATION FORM”. The full information about the documents necessary for obtaining a Russian visa can be found at the Russian Federation consulate in your country.

CONTACTS

In case of any questions please contact the Secretary of Organizing Committee:

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We are happy to answer any questions and discuss any concerns you may have:

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IMPORTANT DATES

March Distribution of Second Circular
April 15 Deadline to submit Invitation Letter request
May 15 Deadline for submission of abstracts
May 20 Reply to Second Circular
July 15 Distribution of Final Circular to potential participants

All up-to-date information will be provided on http://igcp608.sci.ibaraki.ac.jp/
CONFIRMATION FORM

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Sex (male, female):   Nationality:
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Oral presentation, title: .................................................................
Poster presentation, title: ............................................................... 

I WILL TAKE PART IN THE
Symposium as Formal participant:   as Student:
Field excursion:

I REQUEST FOR ACCOMMODATION ARRANGEMENTS
Hotel "Golden Valley":   NSU Hostel:
Please indicate the type of room: .........................

Others requests: ...........................................................................

Please complete this form and return it no later than May 20, 2016 to:
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IF YOU NEED IN AN OFFICIAL INVITATION LETTER,
PLEASE FILL OUT VISA APPLICATION FORM

Please send an Invitation Letter request to Igor N. Kosenko
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