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### **1. THE PRESIDENT OF IUGS ATTENDED AND ADDRESSED THE 8TH CHINA-ASEAN MINING COOPERATION FORUM AND EXHIBITION**

The 8th China-ASEAN Mining Cooperation Forum and Exhibition was held in Nanning, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region of China on August 23-26, 2017. IUGS President Prof. Cheng Qiuming attended the event and delivered a speech at the Roundtable Conference of mining officials and geosurvey authorities from ASEAN countries and leaders of other major international organizations on August 24, 2017.

In his speech, Prof. Cheng Qiuming pointed out that the international community is now facing serious geoscience problems which need innovation in infrastructure, science and technology and that ASEAN countries have great opportunities to work jointly to play a more important part both in dealing with their own problems and issues of global significance. Prof. Cheng also welcomed more ASEAN countries to join IUGS, which as the world's largest Geoscience Union has played essential roles in leading the international community on tackling critical earth science problems that threaten societal development and human life. Following the Conference, Prof. Cheng Qiuming sent e-mails to representatives of the ASEAN countries

who attended the Roundtable Conference, encouraging them to join IUGS or promote their existing IUGS membership status.

The China-ASEAN Mining Cooperation Forum and Exhibition was first held in September 2011 at the background of the establishment of China and ASEAN Free Trade Area (CAFTA). The 8th China-ASEAN Mining Cooperation Forum and Exhibition received nearly 6000 guests from all over the world and more than 2500 companies and organizations joined in the Exhibition.



Prof. Cheng Qiuming at the 8th China-ASEAN Mining Cooperation Forum and Exhibition

## 2. IUGS PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING APRIL 2017

The IUGS Publications Committee was reconstituted in late 2016. The present Committee, appointed until the end of 2018, consists of:

- Chair – Dr Brian R. Marker OBE (UK)
- Representative of IUGS Bureau – Secretary General Prof Stan Finney (USA)
- Prof Daekyo Cheong – Editor of Episodes (Republic of Korea)

- Dr Giuseppe Di Capua – IUGS Webmaster (Italy)
- Dr Fareeduddin – former Editor of Episodes (India)
- Professor Dolores Pereira (Spain).

The Committee met on 8th to 9th April in London, United Kingdom.



Left to right: Stan Finney, Peter Bobrowsky, Dolores Pereira, Brian Marker, Fareeduddin and Daekyo Cheong.

In December 2016 the Editorial responsibility for Episodes was transferred from the Geological Society of India (GSI) to the Geological Society of Korea (GSK). The Committee expressed gratitude for the publications work undertaken by the GSI and also their extensive help in the transition to the GSK.

The March 2017 issue of Episodes has been published by the GSK. The June issue is in preparation and will be a thematic on Forensic Geology (which will be a “World First”).

During 2017, we aim to secure:

Online first publication of papers submitted to and approved by the Editor to make publication quicker; and

Online only publication of the journal but with a facility for printing on demand which is necessary because of the rapidly increasing costs of printing and international postage.



We understand that online-only publication will disappoint those readers who prefer printed copies of the journal but we have to move with the times and be attentive to costs. We will announce new arrangements for subscriptions for printed copies of the journal soon.

But *Episodes* will still be freely available (digitally) and not-for-profit, so you are, of course, free to print copies of the issues or individual papers and articles for personal or institutional (non-commercial) use. Also, we encourage authors to upload their papers on sites such as ResearchGate and academia.edu to get better exposure for both authors and IUGS.

Together, we can advance Geoscience and the interests and careers of our many members,

Brian Marker (Chair of the Publications Committee)

### 3. NEWS FROM IAPG

- The first 7 papers of the new IAPG special volume on geoethics in *Annals of Geophysics* have been published online and are now available for free download. The special volume is entitled "Geoethics at the heart of all geoscience" and is edited by Silvia Peppoloni, Giuseppe Di Capua, Peter T. Bobrowsky and Vincent S. Cronin. Download papers at: <http://www.geoethics.org/geoethics-ag2017>
- IAPG has become a member organisation of the ICPHS - International Council for Philosophy and Human Sciences. Read more at: <http://www.geoethics.org/affs-agrs>
- IAPG has established a new national section in Uruguay: <http://www.geoethics.org/sections>
- IAPG and SGP - Sociedad Geológica del Perú (Peruvian Geological Society) signed an Agreement for Cooperation: Read more at: <http://www.geoethics.org/affs-agrs>
- The Cape Town Statement on Geoethics has been endorsed by the IAH - International Association of Hydrogeologists and SGP - Sociedad Geológica del Perú (Peruvian



Geological Society). Currently the statement is supported by 18 geoscience organizations. Read more at <http://www.geoethics.org/ctsg>

#### **4. BRYAN LOVELL MEETING IN LONDON, 23 - 24 NOVEMBER 2017**

Themed years are at the heart of the Geological Society of London's science strategy. Throughout 2018 we will explore the sustainable extraction and use of natural resources through research conferences, lectures, our education programme and other activities. The kick-off event is the Bryan Lovell meeting (<https://www.geolsoc.org.uk/Lovell17>) to be held at the Society on 23/24 November 2017 in conjunction with the IUGS Resourcing Future Generations initiative, and as a pre-cursor to the inter IGC RFG 2018 conference to be held in Vancouver in June 2018.

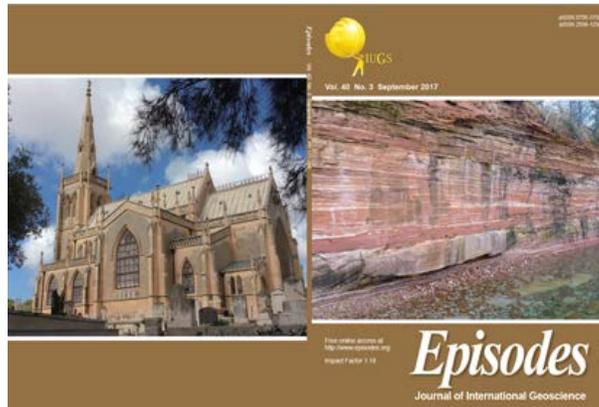
#### **5. NEW IUGS WEBMASTER**

The responsibility for the IUGS website has recently passed from Peter Bobrowsky of the Natural Resources Canada to Giuseppe di Capua who is a research geologist at the Istituto Nazionale Geofisica e Vulcanologia, Italy. The IUGS thanks Peter sincerely for his decade of dedicated work as webmaster.

Giuseppe is already updating the site with new material as it arrives and is considering potential improvements to the site. Contributions to the website should be sent to Giuseppe at: [giuseppe.dicapua@ingv.it](mailto:giuseppe.dicapua@ingv.it)

## 6. SEPTEMBER 2017 ISSUE OF EPISODES PUBLISHED

The September issue of Episodes contains eight research papers and one field visit report.



Title and back pages of the EPISODES September 2017 issue

An important paper on the base of the Albian Stage (Cretaceous) will be essential reading for all who are interested in mid-Cretaceous stratigraphy. Two papers concern the history of geology and will be of particular interest to INHIGEO members. These respectively consider two early pioneers of biogeography in Russia and the 1885 International Geological Congress.

Two papers deal with nominations of natural stones for Global Heritage Stone Designation: Lower Globigerina Limestone (Malta) and Jacobsville Sandstone (USA) arising from the work of the ICG. Another paper considers a different aspect of resources - preserving gemstone regions and resources worldwide.

A paper on the 2015 Geological Map of Colombia reports an important step forward in the geology of South America. For environmental geoscientists, another paper focuses on chemical denudation in the Inner Carpathians. There is also a report field excursion report on the Nama Group in southern Namibia for those who have an Ediacaran interest.

The issue also contains an article on the 2018 IUGS Resourcing Future Generations conference. All who are interested should keep a close eye on RFG deadlines..... time



passes quickly!

But last, and certainly not least, the issue also presents profiles of our IUGS President, Secretary General and Treasurer for the period 2016-2020.

List of papers:

Kennedy, J W; Gale, A S; Huber, B T; Petrizzo, M R; Bown, P and Jenkyns, H C *The Global Boundary Stratotype Section and Point (GSSP) for the base of the Albian Stage of the Cretaceous. The Col de Pré-Guittard section, Amayon, Drôme, France.*

Jagt-Yazykova, E A and Racki, R Vladimir P *Amalitsky and Dmitry N Sobolev – late nineteenth/early twentieth century pioneers of modern concepts palaeobiogeography, biosphere evolution and mass extinctions*

Tapias, J G; Montes Ramirez, N E; Almanza Meléndez, M F; Alcárcel, Gutiérrez, F A; Madrid Montoya, C A and Diderix, H *Geological map of Colombia 2015*

Rose, W I; Vye, E C; Stein, C A; Malone, D H; Craddock, J P and Stein, S A *Jacobsville Sandstone: a candidate for nomination for “Global Heritage Stone Resource” from Michigan, USA*

Cassar, JA, Toriano, A; Zammit, T and Micallef, A *Proposal for the nomination of Lower Globigerina Limestone of the Maltese Islands as a Global Heritage Stone Resource.*

Cartier, L E *Preserving the heritage of gemstone regions and resources worldwide: future directions*

Szostakiewicz-Hołownia, M and Małecki, J *Intensity of chemical denudation and CO2 consumption in selected Inner Carpathian catchments.*

Puche-Riart, O; Ortiz-Menéndez, J E and Mazadiego-Martinez, L F *The third International Geological Congress, Berlin (1885)*

Shuhai Xiao; Vickers-Rich, P; Narbonne, G; Laflamme, M; Darroch, S; Kaufman, A J and Kriesfeld, L *Field workshop on the Ediacaran Nama Group of southern Namibia. 21-25 August 2016, Windhoek to Fish River Canyon, southern Namibia*

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## **PUBLICITY OF IUGS ACTIVITIES AND JOINT ACTIVITIES**

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- *IUGS E-Bulletin (published monthly)*
- *IUGS website, and*



- *IUGS social media platforms.*

*You are encouraged to provide short publicity items on news, current activities and recent and forthcoming events (such as symposia, conferences and publications). To reduce effort we aim that material should be easily customized for each of these outlets.*

*For the web site: a text that should normally consist of a maximum of about 600 words accompanied by one or two good photographs or other relevant images.*

*For the E- Bulletin: a Summary of about two or three sentences. These will be published in the E-Bulletin with a link to the material on the website and, if appropriate, links to other relevant sites (e.g. the IUGS Commission websites); and*

*Social media: a summary for publication on IUGS social media platforms not exceeding 100 words.*

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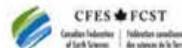
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