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## GEONEWS AUGUST 2008

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## 1. EFG WORKSHOP

### EFG FUTURE EVENTS

#### ✓ **33RD INTERNATIONAL GEOLOGICAL CONGRESS OSLO 2008**

**6 - 14 August**



During the International Geological Congress (IGC) EFG has arranged a workshop with the title: "*Issues for geologists in 21st century - mitigation of man's influence and serving society's needs*".



**Aim of the workshop:** The impact of society on the environment increases every year. As a result the influence of man on his environment, and the environment on man, becomes more intimate. One consequence is that conflict over use or priority and hazards appear more frequently. The demands that man puts upon our world are increasing rapidly and yet society also demands that the cost of this is minimized. Geologists have a major role to play in satisfying society's demands, whether this is in understanding and mitigating climate change, in the finding and sustainable use of natural resources or mitigating and controlling hazards. The session will discuss what the geological profession can do in the service of society, by raising awareness of the issues, and encouraging regulators to incorporate appropriate actions in regulations relating to man's use of the subsurface. We envisage that contributions could include awareness of natural hazards, mitigation of climate change (CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration, geothermal energy), and maintenance of sustainable resources.

**Date:** 9 August 2008.

**Place:** Room Buskerud, from 14:00 to 19:00.

We would like to invite you to attend this session. Participation is free of charge, but registration is required. Download the registration form:

([http://www.eurogeologists.de/cms/images/content/33\\_IGC/Registration\\_form.doc](http://www.eurogeologists.de/cms/images/content/33_IGC/Registration_form.doc))

More information:

<http://www.33igc.org>

✓ **3<sup>RD</sup> INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGY CONFERENCE (IPGC)**

**September 20-24, 2008**



The American Institute of Professional Geologists (AIPG) and the Arizona Hydrological Society (AHS) are hosting their Annual Meetings in conjunction with the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Professional Geology Conference (3<sup>rd</sup> IPGC) at the High Country Conference Center at the Northern Arizona University (NAU) and the Radisson Hotel in Flagstaff, Arizona. Overall meeting attendance is projected to reach 400-500 individual registrants.

EFG sponsored the technical session on *Expanding International Influence*

*and Reach; Overcoming Challenges and Mapping Successful Strategies:*

<http://www.eurogeologists.de/cms/index.php?section=news&cmd=details&newsid=4>

More information and registration:

<http://www.aipg.org/2008/AIPG-AHS-3IPGC.htm>

## 2. GENERAL NEWS

### INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PLANET EARTH (IYPE)



EFG offers some documents and a calendar of events on our website: [www.eurogeologists.eu](http://www.eurogeologists.eu).

To send more information about the IYPE or add events, contact:

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#### Events of IYPE:

DATE	TITLE	PLACE	INFORMATION
16 Aug	<b>Life in lava? - understanding the geology of Portrush</b>	Portrush, Northern Ireland	<a href="http://www.planetearth.ie">www.planetearth.ie</a> <a href="mailto:ian.enlander@doeni.gov.uk">ian.enlander@doeni.gov.uk</a>
17 - 20 Aug	<b>Inaugural Global Geotourism Conference</b>	Perth, Australia	<a href="http://www.promaco.com.au/2008/geotm/">www.promaco.com.au/2008/geotm/</a>
30 Aug	<b>Changing sea-levels - understanding the geology of Ballyquintin Point</b>	Ballyquintin Point, Northern Ireland	<a href="http://www.planetearth.ie">www.planetearth.ie</a> <a href="mailto:ian.enlander@doeni.gov.uk">ian.enlander@doeni.gov.uk</a>

#### Events:

➤ **Palaeogeography. The Spatial context for understanding the evolution of the earth system.** Cambridge, United Kingdom. 10 – 13 August. This meeting has been designed to bring together all interested parties and to look at the problem from three main perspectives: plate tectonic models, palaeolandscapes and climate and ocean dynamics. More information: <http://www.geolsoc.org.uk/gsl/events/listings/page2856.html>

➤ **Rifts Renaissance: stretching the crust and extending exploration frontiers.** Houston, USA. 19 – 21 August. The conference provides an important technical forum to challenge rift

model paradigms. These paradigms underpin the fundamental understanding and exploration of pre-cursor rift basins and continental rift basins. More information: <http://www.geolsoc.org.uk/gsl/groups/specialist/petroleum/page2720.html>

➤ **Petrology of the lithosphere in extensional settings.** Budapest, Hungary. 21 – 31 August. This event is organized by Eurispet (European Intensive Seminars of Petrology) and it aims at forming the core of the next generation of researchers in Metamorphic Petrology, characterized by interdisciplinary, high training level and greater attention to application to industry and society. More information:

[http://www.eurispet.eu/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=14&Itemid=29](http://www.eurispet.eu/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=14&Itemid=29)

➤ **International Congress Palaeozoic Climates.** Lille, France. 25 – 29 August. The scientific meeting on Palaeozoic Climates is focused not only on ancient climate and sea-level changes, but also on their modelization, their understanding and their impact on biodiversity. More information: [http://www.igcp503.org/pdfs/Lille2008\\_flyer.pdf](http://www.igcp503.org/pdfs/Lille2008_flyer.pdf)

### 3. RENEWABLE ENERGY

#### Events:

➤ Four new Calls for Proposals for Energy under the Seventh Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development (FP7) are scheduled to be published on 3 September 2008:

- **FP7-ENERGY-2009-1** (managed by DG RTD): a general call focusing on research with a long-term horizon
- **FP7-ENERGY-2009-2** (managed by DG TREN): a general call focusing on research with a short-and medium term horizon and on demonstration
- **FP7-ENERGY-2009-3** (managed by DG RTD): a call for coordination and support actions
- **FP7-2009-BIOREFINERY** (managed by DG RTD): a joint call including Theme 2 - Knowledge based Bio-Economy, Theme 4 - Nano-Material Programme and Theme 6 – Environment

In order to support the preparation of proposals, the Directorates General for Energy and Transport (DG TREN) and for Research (DG RTD) of the European Commission are holding **Information Days** on **24 and 25 September 2008** in the Charlemagne building, rue de la Loi n° 170, in Brussels (Belgium). Further information on these calls will be made available on the CORDIS website (<http://cordis.europa.eu>). More information about the Information Days: [http://ec.europa.eu/research/conferences/2008/energy\\_infoday/infoday\\_energy\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/research/conferences/2008/energy_infoday/infoday_energy_en.htm)

### 4. HYDROGEOLOGY

#### Publications:

➤ **2008 World Water Week.** Stockholm, Sweden. 17 – 23 August. This event is the leading annual global meeting place for capacity-building, partnership-building and follow-up on the implementation of international processes and programmes in water and development. The theme of the week is Progress and Prospects on Water: For a Clean and Healthy World with Special Focus on Sanitation. More information: <http://www.worldwaterweek.org/>

#### Events:

➤ **EU Groundwater Conference 2008.** Paris, France. 13 – 15 November. This conference aims to bring together different communities involved in the implementation of the Water Framework Directive 2000/60/EC and Groundwater Directive 2006/118/EC (national and

European policy makers, scientists and stakeholders) as well as experts interested by groundwater integrated management issues. The deadline for submitting posters is postponed to the 10th September. If you wish to attend the conference, don't forget to register by the 15th of October 2008. More information: <http://www.groundwater2008paris.fr/>

## 5. SOIL PROTECTION

### Events:

➤ **Eurosoil 2008.** Vienna, Austria. 25 – 29 August. This event is organized by the European Confederation of Soil Science Societies (ECSSS) and it is one of the most important activities in this Confederation. It is focused in soil, society and environment. More information: <http://www.ecsss.net/web/frontend/view.php?MENUID=230>

## 6. MINERALS AND THEIR SUSTAINABLE USE

### Events:

➤ **9th International Kimberlite Conference (9IKC).** Frankfurt, Germany. 10 – 15 August. The meeting is intended to bring together the academic and exploration communities to foster exchange of new results in research on kimberlites and diamonds and advances in exploration techniques. More information: <http://www.9ikc.com/>

➤ **7th European Coal Conference.** Lviv, Ukraine. 26 – 29 August. It is organized on behalf of the European Coal Group, an informal association, uniting academics, applied scientists and technicians whose interests are concerned with European coal deposits, their utilization and related environmental issues. Special attention is paid to the problems and opportunities related to coal mine closure and to the continuing importance of coal as a fuel for power generation and industrial usage as well as protection of the environment. More information: [http://www.wgg.pwr.wroc.pl/pdf/konferencje/konf\\_lwow.pdf](http://www.wgg.pwr.wroc.pl/pdf/konferencje/konf_lwow.pdf)

## 7. JOB OPORTUNITIES

### 🔗 **GEOLOGIST**

*Job Title:* Field Geologist

*Location:* Ireland

*Job description:* They are a fast-growing mineral exploration company, exploring for carbonate-hosted zinc-lead deposits in the Irish Midlands. Their large team is composed of dynamic, highly-motivated geology professionals backed-up by internationally-renowned experts.

*More information:*

[http://www.eurogeologists.de/cms/images/content/Job\\_Opportunities/RRL\\_jobs\\_ad.pdf](http://www.eurogeologists.de/cms/images/content/Job_Opportunities/RRL_jobs_ad.pdf)

### 🔗 **GEOLOGIST**

*Job Title:* Environmental Officer

*Location:* Peru, Jamaica, Bahamas, South Africa, India, U.A.E, Egypt and Malaysia

*Job description:* IOHES, an international organization is looking for qualified personnel to fill up the vacancies in various countries so stated. If you are interested, do send in your resume and letter of intent as directed on the announcement letter. Contact: [helensoare006@gmail.com](mailto:helensoare006@gmail.com)

*More information:*

[http://www.eurogeologists.de/cms/images/content/Job\\_Opportunities/IOHES\\_E-Vacancies.pdf](http://www.eurogeologists.de/cms/images/content/Job_Opportunities/IOHES_E-Vacancies.pdf)

↳ **HYDROLOGIST**

*Job Title:* Hydrologist

*Location:* Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

*Job description:* Under minimal supervision, performs a variety of routine and non-routine tasks in support of the Hydrogeology professional staff within the SNWA Program Staff. Work assignments may be in the office and/or at field sites. A willingness to travel is expected. May act in a lead capacity as required. Possesses a basic understanding of surface-water and groundwater hydraulic and measurement techniques.

*More information:* <http://www.gethydrologyjobs.com/hydrologist-las-vegas-nevada-613.htm>

*Click the next link to see more job opportunities in the field of Hydrogeology:*

<http://www.hydrology-jobs.com/>