

3rd International Palaeogeography Conference September 23–25, 2017 Chengdu, China

First Circular

In order to promote the academic exchange, development and innovation of international palaeogeography and related disciplines, and to promote furthermore the construction and development of the *Journal of Palaeogeography* and thus develop it into a prestigious international periodical, the 3rd International Palaeogeography Conference will be held from September 23 to 25, 2017 in Chengdu, Sichuan Province, China.

1. **Name:** 3rd International Palaeogeography Conference
2. **Time schedule:** September 22, 2017: Registration, a preparation meeting in the evening
September 23–25, 2017: Oral and poster presentations (including a half-day mid-conference field excursion)
September 26–29, 2017: Post-conference field excursions
3. **Venue:** Southwest Petroleum University, Chengdu, Sichuan Province, China

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5. Host

Southwest Petroleum University
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6. Organizing Committee and Scientific Committee

The organizing committee is composed of representatives from all sponsors and is primarily responsible for the organization and for raising funds for the conference.

Chairman: Lie-Hui Zhang, Zhi-Dong Bao

General Secretary: Xing-Zhi Wang

The scientific committee is composed of the members of the Editorial Committee of the *Journal of Palaeogeography* and some international and domestic specialists in palaeogeography. The committee is responsible for the acquisition of manuscripts, their review and their publication; the committee will also evaluate the scientific level of the conference and the *Journal of Palaeogeography*, and discuss the development of international palaeogeography in the future.

Chairman: Zhi-Dong Bao, Jing-Shan Chen

General Secretary: Shao-Nan Zhang, Yuan Wang

7. Topics

- 1) Palaeogeography and Mineral Resources
- 2) Palaeogeography and Mineral Resources of Deep Strata and Meso-Proterozoic
- 3) Lithofacies Palaeogeography and Sedimentology
- 4) Carbonate Palaeogeography
- 5) Fine-Grained Sediments Palaeogeography
- 6) Biopalaeogeography, Palaeoichnology, Microbialites and Reef
- 7) Tectonopalaeogeography and Palaeotectonics
- 8) Palaeoclimatology
- 9) Palaeokarst and Prevention and Governing of Karst Rocky Desertification in Karst Areas
- 10) Carbon Cycle, Weathering and Erosion and Climatic Change
- 11) Multi-Origin of Soft-Sediment Deformation Structures (SSDS)
- 12) Palaeophytology

8. Invitation and submission of papers

The conference sincerely invites those Earth scientists from China and abroad who are involved in or with interest in palaeogeography to attend the conference and welcomes them to submit one or more manuscripts.

To guarantee the academic quality of manuscripts which will be presented at the conference, it is required that those who wish to present their manuscripts orally at the conference are encouraged to submit a publishable version of their manuscripts in English according to the general regulations concerning the submission of manuscripts to the *Journal of Palaeogeography* before August 1st, 2017. Chinese authors should also submit a Chinese Abstract in addition to the full text in English.

The sooner the manuscripts are submitted, the better. The scientific committee of the conference will send out the submitted manuscripts for review and then return the reviewing comments to the authors for revising timely. Once the manuscripts are well-revised and accepted, they will be published in the *Journal of Palaeogeography* as early as possible.

All the abstracts will be compiled into an Abstracts of the 3rd International Palaeogeography Conference (in English and Chinese) after receiving all the revised full texts of the manuscripts. The accepted manuscripts will be arranged for oral presentation at the conference and the corresponding authors will be granted exemption from the conference registration fee.

10 to 15 specialists from China and abroad will be invited to attend the conference with their full text manuscripts submitted to the conference. When the manuscripts are accepted after peer-reviewing, the registration fee, accommodation fee and post-conference field excursion fee will be covered by the conference. Round-trip airline tickets (economic class) for specialists from foreign countries will be covered by the conference. Round-trip railway tickets or airline tickets (economic class) for domestic specialists will be covered by the conference as well.

3 to 5 self-recommended specialists from China and abroad will be invited to attend the conference as long as they submit their full text manuscripts to the conference and the manuscripts being accepted after peer-

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