

## **Third Circular of the Yangtze Conference on Ordovician and Silurian**

**(27-30 June, 2007)**

### **General information**

The International Symposia on the Ordovician and Silurian Systems will be convened together. Additionally, the IGCP 503 Project annual meeting will be held in conjunction with them. The Organizing Committee, representing the relevant Chinese governmental agencies and scientific institutions, under the scientific sponsorship of the International Subcommittee of Ordovician Stratigraphy (ISOS) and International Subcommittee of Silurian Stratigraphy (ISSS) and the IGCP 503 Project, cordially invites you to participate in

**The 10<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on the Ordovician System**

**The 3<sup>rd</sup> International Symposium on the Silurian System**

**The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of the IGCP 503 Project**

**Nanjing, China**

**27 - 30 June, 2007**

A series of scientific sessions, including plenary and special sessions, general and topical symposia, workshops and special group meetings with a mid-conference field excursion will be organized in Nanjing. A pre-conference field trip in Zhejiang and a post-conference field trip to Guizhou-Yangtze Gorges are organized.

Nanjing has a history of over 2400 years and is reputed to be the capital of ten dynasties. Located in the lower range of the Yangtze (Chang Jiang) River, Nanjing boasts beautiful natural scenery, a long history and rich culture. The hills, waters, towers, woods and towns integrate into one, forming unique scenery of various levels. The meeting will be held in the Liuyuan Hotel on the campus of the Southeast University which is close to the Nanjing Institute of Geology and Palaeontology and within walking distance from central Nanjing. One day during the meeting in Nanjing will be devoted to an excursion to the Nanjing Hills with a social program. More social programs will be arranged for accompanying members during the symposium.

### **Sponsors**

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### **Scientific Sessions**

## **PROGRAMME**

### **TUESDAY, JUNE 26 (LIUYUAN HOTEL):**

10:00-18:00

Registration

18:00-21:00

ICEBREAKER PARTY

### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27 (LIUYUAN HOTEL):**

8:00-9:00

OPENING CEREMONY (Chair: RONG Jiayu)

SPEAKERS:

CHEN Xu (CHAIRMAN OF ISOS, CO-CHAIR OF CONFERENCE)

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9:00-9:50

Axel MUNNECKE (KEYNOTE TALK):

The Silurian - insights from geochemistry

9:50-10:30

*GROUP- PHOTO-TAKING AND COFFEE BREAK*

SESSION 1 (Chairs: David HARPER & Tatyana KOREN)

10:30-10:50

Stig M. BERGSTRÖM, Seth YOUNG, Birger SCHMITZ, Matthew R. SALTZMAN: Upper

Ordovician (Katian)  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  chemostratigraphy: A trans-Atlantic comparison

10:50-11:10

Stanley C. FINNEY, Raymond L. ETHINGTON, John E. REPETSKI: The boundary between the Sauk and Tippecanoe Sloss Sequences of North America

11:10-11:30

Leho AINSAAR, Tõnu MEIDLA, Oive TINN, Tõnu MARTMA, Andrei DRONOV: Darriwilian (Middle Ordovician) carbon isotope stratigraphy in Baltoscandia

11:30-11:50

Arne T. NIELSEN: The early Mid Ordovician of Estonia and western Russia: Palaeoecology, bio- and ecostratigraphy

11:50-12:10

Silvio H. PERALTA: Facies changes in the Silurian of the Precordillera: tecto-sedimentary and paleogeographic significance

12:10-12:30

Derek J. SIVETER, Derek E.G. BRIGGS, David J. SIVETER, Mark SUTTON, Richard A. FORTEY: Exceptionally preserved new arthropods from the Herefordshire (Silurian) Lagerstätte

12:30-14:00

*LUNCH and POSTER SESSION*

SESSION 2 (Chairs: David HOLLOWAY & Markes JOHNSON)

14:00-14:50

ZHAN Renbin, RONG Jiayu and David HARPER (KEYNOTE TALK)

Succession of Late Ordovician-earliest Silurian brachiopod faunas—South China as a window

14:50-15:10

Oldrich FATKA: Lower and early Middle Ordovician trilobite associations of the Prague Basin (Perunica, Czech Republic)

15:10-15:30

Alan W. OWEN: The last hurrah for the Trinucleidae (Trilobita)

15:30-15:50

Artur A. SÁ, Juan Carlos GUTIÉRREZ-MARCO, Isabel RÁBANO, Manuel VALÉRIO: Palaeontology and stratigraphy of the Ordovician in the Arouca region (central Portugal)

15:50-16:10

*COFFEE BREAK and POSTER SESSION*

SESSION 3 (Chairs: Jacques VERNIERS & Juan Carlos GUTIÉRREZ-MARCO )

16:10-16:30

David A.T. HARPER, JIN Jisuo, Christian M. Ø. RASMUSSEN, Jan A. RASMUSSEN, Svend STOUGE: Overview of the pentameride brachiopod succession (upper Ordovician–lower Silurian) in Børglum Elv and GB Schley Fjord, Peary Land, North Greenland

16:30-16:50

Daniel GOLDMAN, Stephen A. LESLIE, Jaak NÕLVAK, Seth YOUNG: The Black Knob Ridge section, southeastern Oklahoma, USA: the Global Stratotype-Section and Point (GSSP) for the base of the Katian Stage of the Upper Ordovician Series

16:50-17:10

Oive TINN, Leho AINSAAR, Tõnu MEIDLA, Lars E. HOLMER: Ordovician ostracod diversity and carbon isotope curve in Gullhögen, Sweden

17:10-17:30

Jaak NÕLVAK, Olle HINTS, Peep MÄNNIK, Helje PÄRNASTE: Ordovician timescale in Estonia

17:30-17:50

Christopher A. STOTT, JIN Jisuo: Ordovician-Silurian boundary in cratonic North America

17:50-18:10

DUAN Yun, S. SEVERMANN, A. D. ANBAR, G. GORDON, T. W. LYONS, B. SAGEMAN: Investigation of iron isotope systematics in Middle Devonian anoxic basins

18:30-21:00

CONFERENCE DINNER (SHI-JI-YUAN HOTEL)

**THURSDAY, JUNE 28 (LIUYUAN HOTEL):**

SESSION 4 (Chairs: Robin COCKS & Alan OWEN)

8:00-8:50

Richard A. FORTEY (KEYNOTE TALK):

Forty years of Lower Palaeozoic geography and biogeography: an evolving story

8:50-9:10

Carlton BRETT, Annalisa FERRETTI, Kathleen HISTON, Hans Peter SCHÖNLAUB: Eustasy and basin dynamics of the Silurian of the Carnic Alps (Austria)

9:10-9:30

Andrei DRONOV, Sergei ROZHNOV: Climatic changes in the Baltoscandian basin during the Ordovician: sedimentological and palaeontological aspects

9:30-9:50

Jacques VERNIERS, Jörg MALETZ, Jiří KŘÍŽ, Živilė ŽIGAITĖ, Florentin PARIS, Hans-Peter SCHÖNLAUB, Ryszard WRONA: An overview of the Silurian System of Central Europe

9:50-10:10

*COFFEE BREAK and POSTER SESSION*

SESSION 5 (Chairs: Andrei DRONOV & Peep MÄNNIK)

10:10-10:30

Svend STOUGE, WANG Xiaofeng, LI Zhihong, WANG Chuanshang, CHEN Xiaohong:  
Lower to Middle Ordovician faunal evidence from the Yichang area, Hubei Province, South China

10:30-10:50

L. Robin M. COCKS, Trond. H. TORSVIK: Siberia and peri-Siberia: their identities and palaeogeography during the Palaeozoic

10:50-11:10

JIN Jisuo, Paul COPPER, Renbin ZHAN: Species-level response of tropical brachiopods to environmental crises during the Late Ordovician mass extinction

11:10-11:30

Markes JOHNSON, Gudveig BAARLI: Topography and depositional environments at the Ordovician-Silurian boundary in the Iowa-Illinois-Wisconsin region, U.S.A

11:30-11:50

Nikolay V. SENNIKOV, Olga T. OBUT: Silica sedimentation in the Altai Late Ordovician Shelf basin in south West Siberia (Russia)

11:50-12:10

Alan T. THOMAS, S. Jane VEEVERS, Kenneth T. RATCLIFFE, Quentin C. CROWLEY:  
Sea-level variations on Milankovitch timescales in the Silurian of Wales

12:10-12:30:

Guillermo L. ALBANESI, C. Rubén MONALDI, Gladys ORTEGA, Julie A. TROTTER: The Capillas Formation (late Darriwilian) of Subandean Ranges, northwestern Argentina: age, correlation and environmental constraints

12:30-14:00

*LUNCH and POSTER SESSION*

SESSION 6A (Chairs: Charles MITCHELL & Mike MELCHIN)

14:00-14:20

Alfred C. LENZ, Anna KOZŁOWSKA: Retiolitid diversification and Silurian sea level changes

14:20-14:40

Charles E. MITCHELL, Daniel GOLDMAN, Susan L. KLOSTERMAN, Jörg MALETZ, H. David SHEETS, Michael J. MELCHIN: Phylogenetic interpretation of the Ordovician Diplogrptoidea

14:40-15:00

ZHANG Yuandong, CHEN Xu: Palaeobiogeographic distribution of *Pseudisograptus* and early biserials in South China and its implication for the origination of major graptolite faunas in the Ordovician

15:20-15:40

J.M. PIÇARRA: Silurian stratigraphy and fauna (graptolites) of the southern part of the Central Iberian Zone (Portugal)

15:40-16:00

Diane H. DAWSON, Michael J. MELCHIN: A possible transitional stage between the resorption porus and the primary porus in early monograptid graptolites

16:00-16:20

*COFFEE BREAK and POSTER SESSION*

SESSION 7A (Chairs: Stig M. BERGSTRÖM & Svend STOUGE)

16:20-16:40

Michael J. MELCHIN: Biostratigraphic and paleobiogeographic significance of some Aeronian (Lower Silurian) graptolites from the Arisaig Group, Nova Scotia, Canada

16:40-17:00

Charles E. MITCHELL, H. David SHEETS, Kristi BELSCHER, Stanley C. FINNEY, Chris HOLMDEN, Dan F.LAPORTE, Michael J. MELCHIN, William P. PATTERSON: The Hirnantian mass extinction of graptolites

17:00-17:20

Tatyana KOREN, Anna SUYARKOVA: Silurian graptolite biostratigraphy of the Kaliningrad district, Northwest Russia

17:20-17:40

Blanca A. TORO, Jörg MALETZ: Deflexed *Baltograptus* species in the early to mid Arenig graptolite biostratigraphy of northwestern Argentina

SESSION 6B (Chairs: Florentin PARIS & Alain LE HERISSE)

14:00-14:20

F. PARIS, K. BOUMENDJEL, Marie-Pierre DABARD, Jean-François GHIENNE, Alfredo LOI, Peng TANG, Blaise VIDET, Aïcha ACHAB: Chitinozoan-based calibration of Early-Mid Ordovician transgressive events on northern Gondwana

14:20-14:40

Thijs R. A. VANDENBROUCKE, Jan VANMEIRHAEGHE: An emerging Ordovician chitinozoan biozonation for Avalonia

14:40-15:00

TANG Peng, Liang-Yu GENG, Sheng-Hui DENG, Shi-Ben ZHANG, Florentin PARIS, Huai-Cheng ZHU: Chitinozoan biostratigraphy of the Lower Member of the Kalpintake Formation at the Dawangou section, Kalpin, Tarim, and discussion on the Ordovician-Silurian Boundary.

15:00-15:20

Alain LE HERISSE: Phytoplanktonic response to the end Ordovician glaciation on the North Gondwanan Margin and in Baltica

15:20-15:40

Elena RAEVSKAYA: Late Cambrian-Early Ordovician acritarchs from northeastern Baltica (Barents Sea, Arctic Russia)

15:40-16:00

Oliver LEHNERT, Marco VECOLI, Thomas SERVAIS, A. NÜTZEL: Did plankton evolution trigger the Ordovician diversifications?

16:00-16:20

*COFFEE BREAK and POSTER SESSION*

SESSION 7B (Chairs: Paul COPPER & ZHOU Zhiyi)

16:20-16:40

Olle HINTS, Mats E. ERIKSSON: Biogeography of Ordovician and Silurian jaw-bearing polychaetes

16:40-17:00

Živilė ŽIGAITĖ: The oxygen isotopic ( $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ ) composition of the Silurian early vertebrate biogenic apatite

17:00-17:20

Olga T. OBUT: Ordovician pelagic biota of the epicontinental and marginal seas of the Siberian Platform

17:20-17:40

Jörg MALETZ: Overlooked and ignored: Radiolarians and their biostratigraphic potential in the Ordovician

17:40-18:30: Workshop A: Graptolite Treatise (Chairs: Charles E. MITCHELL & ZHANG

Yuandong)

17:40-18:30: Workshop B: Chitinozoan and Acritarch Workshop (Chairs: Thijs R. A. VANDENBROUCKE & Thomas SERVAIS)

18:30-20:00

DINNER

**FRIDAY, JUNE 29:**

8:00-12:30

MID-CONFERENCE EXCURSION (LEADERS: YUAN Wenwei and FAN Junxuan)

12:30-14:00

LUNCH

14:00-16:00

TOUR TO NANJING MUSEUM

16:00-18:00

TOUR TO FU-ZI-MIAO (CONFUCIOUS TEMPLE) AREA (LEADER: WANG Haifeng)

18:00-20:00

DINNER IN FU-ZI-MIAO

**SATURDAY, JUNE 30 (LIUYUAN HOTEL):**

SESSION 8 (Chairs: JIN Jisuo & Oldrich FATKA)

8:00-8:50

FAN Junxuan, CHEN Xu, Michael J. MELCHIN, Charles E. MITCHELL (KEYNOTE TALK):  
Late Ordovician to earliest Silurian graptolite extinction and radiation-evidences from South China.

8:50-9:10

Silvio H. PERALTA, Carla V. ROSALES: Extensional tectonic controlling the Ordovician evolution of Precordillera terrane, western Argentine

9:10-9:30

Jan Audun RASMUSSEN: Late Ordovician (Katian) cephalopods from Peary Land, North Greenland

9:30-9:50

Oliver LEHNERT, Mårten J. ERIKSSON, Mikael CALNER, Michael JOACHIMSKI, Werner BUGGISCH, Jiri FRYDA: Concurrent sedimentary and isotopic indications for global climatic cooling in the Late Silurian

9:50-10:10

*COFFEE BREAK*

10:10-12:10

VISITING NIGP

12:10-14:00

*LUNCH*

SESSION 9A (Chairs: Richard FORTEY & Silvio PERALTA)

14:00-14:20

Nikolay V. SENNIKOV: Lithostratigraphy and paleogeography of the Altay-Salair Ordovician basin

14:20-14:40

Juan Carlos GUTIÉRREZ-MARCO, Isabel RÁBANO, Artur A. SÁ, Miguel A. SAN JOSÉ, Agustín P. PIEREN PIDAL, Graciela N. SARMIENTO, José M. PIÇARRA, Juan J. DURÁN, Eleuterio BAEZA, Saturnino LORENZO: Public dissemination of knowledge regarding Ordovician geological and palaeontological heritage in protected natural areas of Iberia

14:40-15:00

Petr BUDIL, Petr KRAFT, Jaroslav KRAFT, Oldrich FATKA: Faunal associations of the Sarka Formation ( Middle Ordovician, Darriwilian, Prague Basin, Czech Republic)

15:20-15:40

Björn KRÖGER and Ed LANDING: Dating the onset of the Ordovician Cephalopod radiation evidence from the Rochdale Formation (middle Lower Ordovician, Stairsian) in eastern New York

15:40-16:00

Sergei ROZHNOV: Origin of echinoderms in the Palaeozoic Evolutionary Fauna: ecological aspects

16:00-16:20

Bertrand Y. J. LEFEBVRE: Changes in Late Ordovician (pre-Hirnantian) echinoderm assemblages: palaeoenvironmental and palaeobiogeographical implications

16:20-16:40

Aaron W. HUNTER, B. LEFEBVRE, E. NARDIN, P. Van ROY, S. ZAMORA, S. RÉGNAULT: Preliminary report on new echinoderm Lagerstätten from the Upper Ordovician of the eastern Anti-Atlas, Morocco

SESSION 9B (Chairs: Ian PERCIVAL & Guillermo ALBANESI)

14:00-14:20

Daniel GOLDMAN, Charles E. MITCHELL, Jörg MALETZ, J.F.V. RIVA, Stephen A. LESLIE, Gary J. MOTZ: Ordovician graptolites and conodonts from the Phi Kappa Formation in the Trail Creek Region of Central Idaho: an integrated biostratigraphy

14:20-14:40

Peep MÄNNIK: Telychian-early Sheinwoodian conodont faunas, events and stratigraphy

14:40-15:00

Guillermo L. ALBANESI, Fernando J. ZEBALLO, Stig M. BERGSTRÖM: The *Paltodus deltifer* Zone (late Tremadocian; Early Ordovician) in Argentina: new conodont data for intercontinental correlation and paleobiogeographic analysis

15:20-15:40

Ian G. PERCIVAL, Yong-yi ZHEN: Darriwilian conodonts of Eastern Australia: biostratigraphy and biogeographic distribution

15:40-16:00

Juan Carlos GUTIÉRREZ-MARCO, Graciela N. SAMIENTO, Clemencia GÓMEZ: First Ordovician conodonts from Colombia

16:00-16:20

Thomas SUTTNER, Oliver LEHNERT, Michael JOACHIMSKI, Werner BUGGISCH: Recognition of the Boda event in the Pin Formation of northern India based on new  $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  and conodont data

16:20-16:40

Jörg MALETZ, Sven EGENHOFF, Martina BÖHME, Robert ASCH, Katharina BOROWSKI, Stefan HÖNTZSCH, Moritz KIRSCH: The Elnes Formation of southern Norway: a key to late Middle Ordovician biostratigraphy & biogeography

16:40-17:00

*COFFEE BREAK*

17:00-17:30

OPEN BUSINESS MEETING OF IGCP 503 (Chair: Thomas SERVAIS)

17:30-18:00

OPEN BUSINESS MEETING OF ISOS

OPEN BUSINESS MEETING OF ISSS

18:00-18:20 (Chair: CHEN Xu and RONG Jiayu)

OPEN DISCUSSION ON PROPOSALS FOR THE NEXT ISOS-ISSS MEETING AND OTHERS

18:20-18:30

CLOSING CEREMONY (Chair: CHEN Xu)

SPEAKERS

James OGG (SECRETARY OF ICS)

RONG Jiayu (CHAIRMAN OF ISSS, CO-CHAIR OF CONFERENCE)

18:30-18:50

ZHAN Renbin and JIN Jisuo: TIPS FOR POST-CONFERENCE EXCURSION

18:50-20:00

DINNER

**SUNDAY, JULY 1 (LIUYUAN HOTEL):**

**DEPARTURE FOR POST-CONFERENCE EXCURSION**

**Field Excursions**

For pre-conference excursion please contact the leader Dr. ZHANG Yuandong:

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**Publications**

A program, Conference proceedings, and two excursion guidebooks will be published prior to the symposium.

**Registration Fees**

Formal Participant: US\$320; Student: US\$180 (sharing double room); Accompany: US\$180

(sharing double room with family member, extra social activities would be arranged);

The registration fees cover expenses of icebreaker reception, publications, conference bag, and

T-shirt.

Hotel (breakfast included) : US\$200 (\$40 x 5 nights , single room) or US\$100 (\$20 x 5 nights , sharing double room);

Meals: US\$60 (US\$10 x 6 meals);

Conference dinner: US\$30;

Mid-conference excursion: US\$40 (Bus, guide, lunch and dinner covered);

For more and updated information, including illustrations and photos, please access the following

**website:** <http://www.ordovician.cn/conference/Index.asp>

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**Travel (Please visit the webpage to get travel information and map and to download for yourself some useful sentences: <http://www.ordovician.cn/conference/index.asp?id=9> )**

All the guests booking through the organizer will live in the Liuyuan Hotel (Orange Hotel) which is only 5 minutes' walk from the Nanjing Institute.

When you arrive Nanjing, *please go directly to the Liuyuan Hotel* and register at the lobby. The conference will be held at the Conference Center in the hotel.

**1. From the Shanghai Pudong Airport to Nanjing (350 km):**

1) By bus. There are several bus lines from the airport to the downtown of Nanjing, which depart the airport at 11:20, 13:20, 15:10, 16:40 and 18:40. The bus will go through the Shanghai-Nanjing highway and it commonly takes 4 hours. Please pick up your luggage at first and then go out to find a information desk for the bus, probably near the No. 7 gate. When you arrive Nanjing, you can take the taxi to the Hotel, which costs about 15-20yuan.

2) By train. Just out of the No. 7 gate, you can find the Shuttle line No. 5 from the airport to the Shanghai station. The shuttle bus departs every 20 minutes and arrives the station after one to one and a half hours (price: about 20 yuan). There are at least one train in every half hour between Shanghai and Nanjing from 6 am to 11 pm with the price between 40-100yuan.

\*Note: All the above messages come from the internet. We cannot validate all of them.

**2. From the Nanjing Lukou Airport to the Liuyuan Hotel:**

There is only one terminal at the Nanjing Lukou airport. You may take a taxi (recommended) from the airport to the Liuyuan Hotel, which costs about US\$18 or 140yuan. Or you can take the shuttle bus from the airport to the downtown and then take a taxi to the hotel. The shuttle line has about six stops. You need to get off at the last one, Shanghai Road station. The ticket for the shuttle bus is 25yuan, and the fee for taxi is about 10yuan.

### **3. From the Nanjing Railway Station to the Liuyuan Hotel:**

There are two different railway stations in Nanjing, one lying in the east part and another one in the west part. Please get off at the first arrived station after the great Yangtze River bridge, the Nanjing Railway Station. Please go down to the underground passway and pass the exit where you need to show your ticket. After that, go ahead and you will find a queue waiting for the taxi. The fee for the taxi from the station to the hotel is about 15 yuan.

### **4. Currency:** (The following exchange rates are from the Bank of China on May 22, 2007)

US dollar/Yuan: 7.59

Canadian dollar/Yuan: 6.89

UK pound/Yuan: 14.73

Euro/Yuan: 10.06

\*Yuan is the Chinese currency RMB.

### **5. Weather:**

In late June and early July, the temperature ranges from 20°C to 35°C. It is still in the raining season at that time. The humidity is usually moderate (rarely high).