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RALI 2015 [THIRD CIRCULAR]

Cambrian and Ordovician Biodiversification Events

Promoting Geological Heritage: Challenges and Issues

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Keynote speakers

Prominent scholars are invited to deliver keynote lectures on the Cambrian and Ordovician radiation events:

AZZA Addi (Advisor Minister of Energy, Mines, Water and Environment, MOROCCO); BRIGGS Derek G. Evelyn Hutchinson (Professor of Geology and Geophysics at the Department of Geology and Geophysics, Yale university, New Haven, USA); CARON Jean-Bernard (Curator at the Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto and Associate Professor at the University of Toronto, CANADA); EL ALBANI Abderrazak (Professor at the University of Poitiers, FRANCE); HARPER David A.T. (Professor at Van Mildert College, Durham University, UNITED KINGDOM).

Conference venue

The conference will be held at the Mansour Eddahbi Congress Centre in the captivating City of Marrakesh.



Official conference language : English

(Talks in French with slides in English are accepted only in exceptional cases)

Hotels (pre-booked)

Very important! For your convenience we have pre-booked a selection of rooms in different hotels and different price categories in Marrakesh. We have made pre-arrangements for two options. Option 1 consists in booking 4 consecutive nights in Marrakesh, from Oct. 4 to Oct. 7. Option 2 includes three 3 consecutive nights in Marrakesh (Oct. 5 to Oct. 7) and one night (Oct. 10) after the field trip. See program for more details. We will spend two nights in Zagora and Ouarzazate which are included in the registration fees of the field trip.

All questions about accommodation should be directed to:
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General Congress Program

Registration and Reception: 5 October 2015

Scientific Sessions: 5-7 October 2015

Post-Congress Field trip: 8-10 October 2015

TECHNICAL PROGRAMS

The technical program includes presentations for invited keynote talks of topical sessions, oral and poster presentations. And the post congress field trip.

	09H - 10H	10H - 10H45	10H45 - 11H	11H15 - 11H	11H - 14H30	14H30 - 15H30	15H30 - 16H15	16H15 - 16H45	16H45 - 18H30	20H - 23H30
Monday 05	Welcoming participants						Opening Ceremony	PLENARY 1 : Derek E.G. BRIGGS	RECEPTION	
							16H - 17H	17H - 18H		
Tuesday 06	PLENARY 2 : Introductive Jean-Bernard CARON	Cambrian and Ordovician biodiversification events"	Coffee break	Cambrian and Ordovician biodiversification events"	Lunch	PLENARY 3 : David A.T. HARPER	Cambrian and Ordovician biodiversification events" "Preservation and Valorization of Geological Heritage	Coffee break	Cambrian and Ordovician biodiversification events" "Preservation and Valorization of Geological Heritage	GALA DINER
Wednesday 07	PLENARY 4 : Addi AZZA MEM	Symposium Preservation and Valorization of Geological Heritage Cambrian and Ordovician biodiversification events"	Coffee break	Symposium Preservation and Valorization of Geological Heritage "Preservation and Valorization of Geological Heritage	Lunch	PLENARY 5 : Abderazzak EL ALBANI	Cambrian and Ordovician biodiversification events" "Preservation and Valorization of Geological Heritage	Coffee break	"Cambrian and Ordovician biodiversification events"	
Tuesday	Post Congress Field Trip - 08th October									Night in Zagora
Friday	Post Congress Field Trip - 09th October									Night in Ouarzazate
Saturday	End- 10th October									Return to Marrakech

NOTE: detailed programs will be available at the conference website:

<http://www.fstg-Marrakesh.ac.ma/rali2015/>

Oral presentations:

Software: It is recommended that participants use computer based Microsoft PowerPoint 2003 or 2007 (PPT) software and files.

Poster presentations:

Posters should be prepared so that they fit onto panel or board as the maximum size:

Width: 84.1 cm x Height: 118.9 cm

Post-Congress Field trip

The post-conference field trip will be organized from Oct. 8 to 10 in the Central High Atlas and Anti-Atlas regions. It will be the opportunity to visit the localities that yielded the fossils of the exceptional Fezouata biota.

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ABSTRACTS AND PUBLICATIONS

About 80 short abstracts have been submitted to the conference. We are pleased to announce that post-conference papers on the Cambrian and Ordovician biodiversification events will be published as the special issue of high impact journal. We are planning to have this issue published in 2016 or beginning of 2017. Manuscript will have to be submitted by the end of December, 2015.

Concerning the special Symposium dedicated to aspects of Geological Heritage, short papers will be published in a special issue of *Bulletin de la Société Géologique de France* (BSGF).

Registration fees

The registration fees cover the conference material including abstract volume, coffee breaks., and part of the organizing fees.

Registration form

A registration form can be downloaded from the conference website:

<http://www.fstg-Marrakesh.ac.ma/rali2015/>

Date	Regular participant	Student*
Conference fees before 30 April	200 Euros	100 Euros
Conference fees after 30 April	250 Euros	150 Euros
Field trip fees before 30 April	250 Euros	250 Euros
Field trip fees after 30 April	300 Euros	300 Euros

* Valid student ID is required when one registrates as a student for the congress

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