

Invitation

This is the first circular for the 2012 TMS AGM which will depart from previous meetings in being outside London and lasting for three days. We hope that this new format will prove popular.

Venue Info

The three day meeting will take place at the British Geological Survey in Keyworth, Nottingham, NG12 5GG.

Accommodation

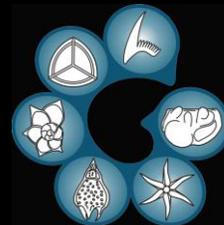
Accommodation is naturally the participant's choice, but a tranche of rooms (at a discounted rate) have been reserved at the Rutland Square Hotel, St James Street, Nottingham NG9 7BA (tel. (+44)115 941 1114) (www.rutlandsquarehotel.co.uk).



To register, for further enquiries and abstract submissions, please contact one of the local convenors

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A coccolithophore bloom off Newfoundland, courtesy of NASA

Sunday 11th – Tuesday 13th November
British Geological Survey, Keyworth,
Nottingham, NG12 5GG.

Including guest lectures from Alan Haywood, Emanuela Mattioli, Jennifer Pike, Jörg Pross, Andy Purvis



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Programme

Sunday 11th: Optional field trip to Bradgate Park, Charnwood Forest, north Leicestershire

This will be a one day field excursion led by Jim Riding to Bradgate Park. Participants will be able to examine Late Precambrian metasediments with an Ediacara biota (*Charnia* etc.), intrusive igneous rocks and Quaternary glaciogenic sediments.

We depart in minibuses from central Nottingham at 09.30 h; we will work until sunset and therefore will be back in central Nottingham at around 18.00 h. A packed lunch will be provided and the cost of this field trip will be £15.00 to cover travel and catering.

Monday 12th: Warm Worlds Symposium and Society AGM

Participants to travel independently to the BGS Keyworth. There will be an optional tour of the recently revamped headquarters of BGS including the “Geological Walk” and a visit to the BGS core store commencing at 10.30 h.

The first part of the meeting proper will be a buffet lunch in the foyer of the reception building at BGS starting at 12.30 h. In the afternoon there will be a series of invited lectures on the theme of ‘Warm Worlds’ on five cutting-edge topics, followed by brief society business comprising officers reports and the presentation of awards and medals.

Following the society business, there will be a drinks reception between 17.30 h and 18.45 h, after which a coach will transport delegates to the Petit Paris restaurant in central Nottingham for the conference dinner (www.petitparisrestaurant.co.uk).

Tuesday 13th: Open talks on micropalaeontology and keynote Industrial Lecture

A coach will transport participants from central Nottingham (08.30 h) to the BGS. Participants are naturally free to travel independently if they wish, with the days activities scheduled to start at 09.30 h.

The morning will begin with a keynote lecture by a speaker from the hydrocarbon industry, followed by an open session of short (c. 10 minute) talks on any topic related to micropalaeontology. There will also be a dedicated poster session. We welcome abstracts from across the discipline, including but not limited to biostratigraphy, palaeoecology, palaeobiology, palaeoceanography, palaeolimnology, palaeoclimatology, molecular evolution and systematics. We particularly encourage talks and posters from doctoral students and early career scientists. There will be a buffet lunch in the foyer of the reception building (13.00 h), after which the meeting will close.

Registration

Please note, all participants must pre-register, even if no payments are required as there is a 150 limit on participant numbers. So please register as early as possible for this meeting. A registration form can be found on the TMS website

Conference attendance: Members free; non-members £20

Field trip: £15 (all participants)

Conference dinner, £15 (all participants)