



# IGCP's 40th Anniversary

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Join us for a festive celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the International Geoscience Programme at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris with talks, debates, round tables and cultural events about the relevance and future of Earth Science for Society.



- 8.30 a.m Reception of participants
- 9.00 a.m Opening ceremony
- ▶ Welcome from **Irina Bokova**, UNESCO Director-General
  - ▶ Welcome from **A. Riccardi**, IUGS President, La Plata University, Argentina
  - ▶ Main results of IGCP's 40 years - **V. Vajda**, IGCP Chair, Lund University, Sweden
  - ▶ Importance of Geosciences for Society - **I. Stewart**, Plymouth University, UK
- 10.15-10.45 a.m Coffee break + exhibit
- 10.45-12.15 p.m Panel discussion on **The Geoscience Challenges for the Planet**
- ▶ **H. Campbell**, New Zealand IGCP National Committee Chair, **Moderator**
  - ▶ **T. Casadevall**, United States Geological Survey, USA
  - ▶ **S. Dong**, Chinese Academy of Geological Sciences, China
  - ▶ **S. Leroy**, IGCP Project Leader, Brunel University, UK
  - ▶ **G. McBean**, President elect, International Council for Science, France
  - ▶ **X. Le Pichon**, French Academy of Sciences, France
- 12.15-2.00 p.m Lunch break + exhibit
- 2.00-3.50 p.m Talks on **Relevance of IGCP** - IGCP themes presented by project leaders - **J-P. Cadet**, **Moderator**  
Presentation of a key result and vision for the future of the theme  
Discussion with the floor
- ▶ 2.00-2.10 Introduction and IGCP history - **E. Derbyshire**, former IGCP Chair, UK
  - ▶ 2.10-2.30 **Earth Resources: Sustaining our society** - **R. Seltmann**, Natural History Museum, London, UK
  - ▶ 2.30-2.50 **Global Change and Evolution of Life: Evidence from the geological record**  
**P. Vichers-Rich**, Monash University, Australia
  - ▶ 2.50-3.10 **Geohazards: Mitigating the risks** - **M. Sintubin**, Leuven University, Belgium
  - ▶ 3.10-3.30 **Geoscience of the water cycle** - **C. Zhang**, International Research Centre on Karst, China
  - ▶ 3.30-3.50 **Deep Earth: How it controls our environment** - **Y. Dilek**, Miami University, USA
- 3.50-4.15 p.m Coffee break + exhibit
- 4.15-5.15 p.m Panel discussion on **IGCP and other Earth Science global programmes**
- ▶ **J. Ludden**, Global Geoscience Initiative (GGI) and OneGeology, **Moderator**
  - ▶ **G. Kalonji**, UNESCO, Natural Sciences Sector
  - ▶ **A. Riccardi**, IUGS, Argentina
  - ▶ **S. Cloetingh**, International Lithosphere Programme (ILP), Germany
  - ▶ **F. Gaetani**, GEO/GEOSS, Switzerland
  - ▶ **J. Venus**, Young and Early career earth Scientists (YES Network), UK
- 5.15-5.45 p.m Synthesis and conclusions: **A prospective vision for the future of IGCP**
- ▶ **I. Stewart**, Plymouth University, UK
- 6.00 p.m Reception and **geological wine and cheese tasting** - UNESCO Restaurant, 7th floor