



# First International Palaeobiogeography Symposium

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**Association des Palynologues de Langue Française**  
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**First Circular**



# FIRST CIRCULAR

The research unit 'Paléobiodiversité et Paléoenvironnements' (UMR 5143) cordially invites you to attend the 1<sup>st</sup> International Symposium on Palaeobiogeography. The Symposium will be held at the Université Pierre et Marie Curie (Paris 6). The Symposium will be held in collaboration with the IGCP project 503 meeting.

The Symposium is officially sponsored by :

- CNRS (Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique),
- UPMC (Université Pierre et Marie Curie, Paris 6),
- MNHN (Muséum national d'Histoire naturelle, Paris),
- APF (Association Paléontologique Française),
- APLF (Association des Palynologues de Langue Française),
- SGF (Société géologique de France),
- IGCP project 503 (International Geological Correlation Programme),
- SFS (Société Française de Systématique).

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## IMPORTANT

**Please note** that the deadline for pre-registration is **March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2006**.

You may fill out the form electronically : <http://www.sgfr.org/general/calendrier.html>

**Please reply to this circular as soon as possible.**

## Themed Sessions

The topics of the Symposium are intended as research priorities in the area of palaeobiogeography i.e. the contribution of fossil data to the reconstruction of the Phanerozoic biogeographic history and the use of fossils to propose palaeogeographic reconstructions.

While the biogeographic signature of Pangaea break-up is still evident in the Modern World biosphere, the Palaeozoic one is still debated. Fossils offer important constraints in palaeogeographic reconstructions, particularly to those of Palaeozoic. The Modern World Biogeography is the result of a long history characterized by vicariant events and also phases of biotic interchanges that need to be discussed and analysed. The research for areas of endemism and area monophyly is relevant to the whole Phanerozoic and increasingly needs the use and the development of analytical tools: this gives scope for a topic dedicated to the analytical methods.

**Proposed Topical categories and Special Sessions** (suggestions open until March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2006)

- **1** - Palaeozoic Palaeobiogeography
- **2** - Biogeographical Constraints in Palaeozoic palaeo-reconstructions.
- **3** - Mesozoic Palaeobiogeography and the break-up of Pangaea
- **4** - Shaping Modern Biogeography
- **5** - Biotic interchanges
- **6** - Analytical methods in biogeography

## Publication of Conference Papers

We expect to publish the proceedings as special issues in international peer reviewed journals.

## Registration Fees

### Before January 30th 2007:

Full Registration 150€  
Student Registration 100€

### After January 30th 2007:

Full Registration 190€  
Students 120€

The registration fee will include Symposium programme and abstract, an icebreaker party and coffee breaks.  
Delegates are expected to provide their own lunches.

An additional late registration fee of 50€ will be incurred for registrations made after June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

**Please note** that all refunds (including non-attendance) will incur a 25% charge.

Information regarding payment procedures will be outlined in the next circular.

## Accommodation

Participants are expected to arrange their own accommodation during their stay. Paris offers a large range of hotels, guest houses, student accommodation. We do however, urge participants to **book early** (at least 6 months in advance) as accommodation in Paris is very difficult to find at short notice during the summer period.

We recommend that participants search the web for accommodation or book through a travel agency. For those that wish to book student accommodation please check out the following websites (<http://www.cisp.asso.fr/> and <http://www.fiap.asso.fr/>).

More information regarding accommodation and how to get to Paris will be available of the next circular.

The **Next Circular** will be posted on July 2006

**The Official languages of the symposium will be French and English**