

**November 2011
Second Circular**

IPS2012

**International Paleolimnology
Symposium IPS2012**

Glasgow SECC 21-24 August, 2012

"advancing the science of palaeolimnology"

Welcome to IPS2012

On behalf of all UK palaeolimnologists, welcome to the 12th International Paleolimnology Symposium to be held in Glasgow, Scotland from August 21st – 24th 2012.

We are looking forward to a stimulating scientific meeting embracing every aspect of palaeolimnology involving scientists, young and old, from every corner of the world, and we are planning a social programme to suit all tastes.

The meeting will take place in the Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) in the centre of Glasgow where there are first-rate facilities for both oral and poster sessions.

Glasgow itself is one of the UK's most cultured and lively cities. It is located on the famous River Clyde with Loch Lomond giving access to the stunning Scottish Highlands only a short distance away to the north.

The Local Organising Committee (from University College London and the University of Glasgow) together with colleagues throughout the UK are working hard to ensure the symposium will be successful and memorable and we will do all in our power to take care of your needs.

Timetable

1st August 2011	First circular & website launch
1st November 2011	Second circular & further details
1st February 2012	Final circular and registration open
1st April 2012	Deadline for early bird registration
1st July 2012	Final deadline for abstract submission
21st August 2012	Conference starts!

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Programme

The science programme will centre on 16 specially convened sessions. These will consist of 2 parallel streams over 4 days for both oral and poster presentations, each with a keynote speaker.

<http://paleolim.org/ips2012/index.php/programme/>

There will be 16 special sessions each with a keynote and associated oral and poster presentations.

Session 1: Isotopes and biogenic silica: understanding lake sediment archives

Session 2: Applied palaeolimnology

Session 3: Lurking beneath the surface: decadal to millennial scale records of environmental pollution

Session 4: Environmental change in the high latitudes

Session 5: Advances in development of lake chronologies

Session 6: Regional integration of recent lake sediments for management of landscapes, ecosystems and ecosystem services (PAGES Focus 4)

Session 7: Tibetan Plateau: disentangling the Asian monsoon system

Session 8: Environmental records of climate change and human impacts in mountain regions

Session 9: Thirty years of quantitative palaeoenvironmental reconstructions: lessons from the past and future challenges

Session 10: Understanding low-latitude climate change: recent developments from palaeolimnology

Session 11: Recent biomarker advances and applications in paleolimnology

Session 12: Land, sea and society: palaeoenvironmental perspectives on coastal, brackish and saline systems

Session 13: Past climates of the Southern Hemisphere

Session 14: Palaeoecological reflections of biodiversity: challenges and new advances

Session 15: Carbon and geochemical cycling in lakes

Session 16: Intercontinental Scientific Drilling Programme (ICDP) and long, old lake records

For more details about these sessions please visit the website.

Registration

Registration will be open for IPS2012 on 1st February 2012.

In the meantime, if you would like to leave your email address here we will contact you with important updates and reminders when deadlines are approaching.

<http://paleolim.org/ips2012/index.php/registration/>

Information for participants

Venue

We are proud to be holding IPS2012 at Scotland's premier venue – the Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) in Glasgow.

The symposium will take place between the 21st and 24th of August 2012, with an ice-breaker on the evening of the 20th.



How to get here (info on SECC website)

Fees

Registration fees include mandatory IPA Membership Fee of £25*. Reduced rates for 'early bird' registration up until 1st April 2012. Fees cover registration and include Loch Lomond excursion, tea and coffee, ice breaker and a civic reception at Glasgow City Chambers.

Lunch is NOT included but there will be facilities available for people to buy lunch.

	until 1st April 2012	after 1st April 2012
Student	£295	£375
Full	£405	£475

* This is a subscription fee to the International Paleolimnology Association (IPA) valid for the next three years. The principal for charging such a fee in this way was agreed at the last symposium in Guadalajara. Without such a fee the IPA has no source of income to cover the essential costs of running itself. At the moment these costs include maintaining the website, striking Lifetime Achievement Medals and paying the expenses of LIFERS to attend the symposium.

Conference Dinner

The conference dinner will be held in Bute Hall and will be a three course dinner followed by a Ceilidh. Estimated cost is £65-70. This can be booked when registration opens in February 2012.

Excursions

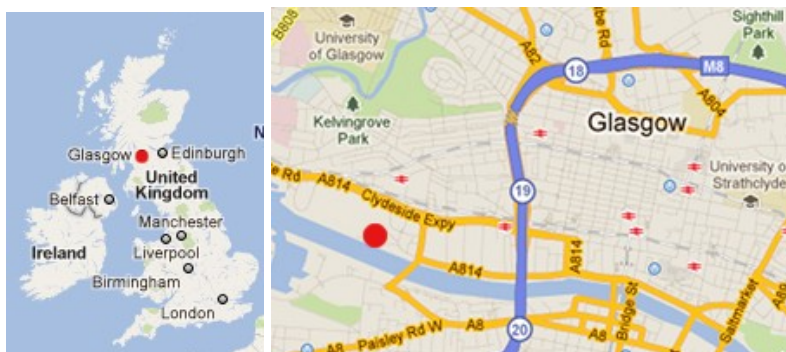
There will be a mid-conference excursion to Loch Lomond which is included in the conference fee.

There are three additional post-symposium excursions available each catering for a maximum of 12 participants. Travel will be by 15-seater mini-coach and accommodation provided on a dinner, bed and breakfast, single occupancy basis in mid-range local hotels.

<http://paleolim.org/ips2012/index.php/programme/excursions/>

Maps

Glasgow is in Scotland and is served by several major airports, motorways and rail links. The venue is situated on the north bank of the river Clyde close to the city centre, a short walk from the main stations and university campuses.



Accommodation

We have negotiated discounted rates at several hotels, covering a range of budgets – use the link below:

<https://www.conferencebookings.co.uk/delegate/GMBIPA2012>

You can also book accommodation at University of Glasgow halls of residence. Cairncross House offers cheap accommodation in university residence close to the venue for around £21 per person per night.

<http://www.gla.ac.uk/services/cvso/accommodation/universityofglasgowresidences/cairncrosshouse/>

Please note that accommodation booking and payment cannot be taken by IPS2012 organisers.

Transport

The following links may be useful:

- [Strathclyde Partnership for Transport](#)
- [BAA Glasgow Airport](#)
- [Glasgow Prestwick Airport](#)
- [BBC Glasgow Traffic News](#)

Contact

To contact the local organising committee please email Andrew Henderson (contact.ips2012@paleolim.org).