



IGCP Project # 592 (2012-2015)

“Continental construction in Central Asia”

Circular #5

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Dear Colleagues,

Our IGCP project #592 “Continental construction of the Altaids (Central Asian Orogenic Belt) compared to actualistic examples from the Western Pacific” has successfully finished its second year. Our annual Report was highly evaluated by the IGCP Committee at a UNESCO-IUGS Forum in February, 2014. The 2013 activities comprised 5 scientific meetings including training programs for young scientists and fieldwork in different parts of Central Asia and western Pacific. All the meetings provided platforms for fruitful discussions on the CAOB history and IGCP#592 plans and stimulated international and interdisciplinary collaboration between leading and young scientists from more than 30 countries. We have reported new approaches and methods of studying the formation and evolution of the continental crust in the CAOB. Below is an approximate plan of IGCP#592-related activities in **2014**:

Place	Meeting	Date	website; contacts
Xi'an, China	Int'l Conference “Continental Dynamics”	April 26-28	http://www.conferencenet.org/conference/iccd.htm
Trabzon, Turkey	Int'l Workshop “Convergent Margins”	May 21-23	http://www.convergentmargins.com/
Yekaterinburg, Russia	XII International Platinum Symposium	August 11-14	http://conf.uran.ru/default.aspx?cid=12ips
Novosibirsk, Russia	II Int'l Conference "Granites and Earth's Evolution"	August 17-20	https://sites.google.com/site/igcp592/milestone-meetings/
Kunming, China	14 th IAGOD Int'l Symposium "Mineral Resources: Discovery and Utilization"	August 19-22	http://www.14iagod.org/en/
Beijing, China	The 2014 IAGR Annual Convention and 11 th Int'l Symp. “Gondwana to Asia”	September 19-21	http://www.iagrhomepage.com/zb_users/upload/2013/10/IAGR_2014_convention.pdf

Please find more details about our project activities, including meeting programs and materials, field and conference photo reports, publications and the annual report to UNESCO-IUGS at <https://sites.google.com/site/igcp592/home> or <http://igcp592.igm.nsc.ru/milestone-meetings>.

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