

***International Association for  
Gondwana Research***

**2016 Annual Convention &  
13th International Conference on  
Gondwana to Asia**

Trivandrum, India November 19-22, 2016



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University of Kerala, Trivandrum, India

## **Introduction**

- The 2016 Annual Convention of the International Association for Gondwana Research (IAGR) and 13th International Symposium on Gondwana to Asia will be held in Trivandrum, India during November 19-22, 2016. The IAGR annual convention and international conference provide important opportunities to meet renowned geoscientists, for exchange of scientific ideas and for the growth of excellence in academic and scientific pursuit. The 2016 conference will address a wide range of topics related to supercontinent tectonics in general and Gondwana-Asia in particular.
- The conference will include a two-day field trip during 21-22 November 2016 to the important charnockite-leptynite-khondalite localities of Trivandrum Block and the Achankovil Tectonic Zone of the Southern Granulite Terrane of India. The exposures provide rare opportunities to study deep crustal processes, ultrahigh-temperature metamorphism as well as geological and tectonic correlations.
- The official language of the conference will be English.

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### **Venue**

The Residency Tower Hotel, South Gate of Secretariat, Press Road,  
Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala 695001, India

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<http://www.residencytower.com>

### **Schedules**

November 18, 2016: Registration and ice breaker

November 19-20, 2016: Registration, oral and poster presentations, Gondwana Research 2015 Best Paper Award Ceremony, IAGR General Assembly, IAGR Executive Council Meeting, Gondwana Research Editorial Board Meeting.

November 21-22, 2016: Field excursion to some of the important localities of the Trivandrum Block and Achankovil Tectonic Zone including cordierite-bearing metapelites, incipient charnockites, massive charnockites and porphyritic meta-granite covering Paleoproterozoic to late Neoproterozoic history. Participants will leave from the hotel by bus on 21<sup>st</sup> morning for field work and stay at Kottarakkara, in the northern part of Trivandrum block. On 22<sup>nd</sup> evening participants will be dropped at Kovalam, one of the best beach tourist destinations of the world. Accommodation will be arranged as per request. Trivandrum international airport is only 14 km away from Kovalam.

## Registration fee

Professional delegates: US\$200

Student delegates: US\$100

The cost for the field excursion will be US\$200.

Registration fee includes abstract volume, ice breaker (Nov.18), working lunch (Nov. 19 & 20), symposium banquet and local transportation.

## Sessions

- Supercontinent tectonics
- Tectonics and correlations of Columbia, Gondwana and Asia
- Metallogeny
- Life and environment
- Evolution of Southern Granulite Terrain: correlations and connections

## Abstracts

- Abstracts for the oral and poster presentations must be submitted before **May 30, 2016**. Abstracts should follow the format of Gondwana Research <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/aip/1342937X>

and can be up to three printed pages with a maximum of one figure (in jpg format) and one table (in Excel format). The abstract volume will be published as a Conference Series volume of the IAGR.

- E-mail your abstract files to: [shajigeology@gmail.com](mailto:shajigeology@gmail.com) with copy to [geo.pradeep@keralauniversity.ac.in](mailto:geo.pradeep@keralauniversity.ac.in)

## **Business meetings**

- The GR 2015 Best Paper Award Ceremony, IAGR General Assembly and Council Meeting, Gondwana Research Editorial Board meeting and other business meetings including those of IGCP projects who are co-sponsors of this conference will also be held during the meeting.

The University of Kerala and IAGR cordially invite you to participate in this important international conference which would cover the state-of-the-art on various aspects related to Gondwana and other supercontinents, as well as the tectonic and metallogenic evolution of the Asian region.

**If you plan to attend the meeting, please fill out the attached Registration Form and send it to us as soon as possible, but not later than March 25, 2016. You can also attach your Abstract, if it is ready. If special invitation letters for permission/visa are required, please let us know which specific documents are required.**

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## IAGR 2016 CONVENTION, TRIVANDRUM, INDIA

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- Tel and fax: \_\_\_\_\_
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- I will participate in the conference. I intend to give the following presentation:
- Oral [  ] Poster [  ]
- Title of the talk: \_\_\_\_\_
- I need help with arranging my hotel accommodation: Yes [  ] No [  ]
- If Yes, expected arrival date: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure date: \_\_\_\_\_
- Number of nights of hotel booking required with dates: \_\_\_\_\_
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