THIRD AND FINAL CIRCULAR

Following the 1st congress in Lisbon (Portugal) in 2013, and additional congresses organized in Graz (Austria) in 2015 and Milan (Italy) in 2019, the 4th International Congress on Stratigraphy STRATI 2023 will be held in Lille, France, 11th-13th July 2023.

VENUE

The indoor sessions will take place in the Congress Centre of Lille University ‘Lilliad’ on the Campus of the Cité Scientifique (Science Campus) at Villeneuve d’Ascq (15 minutes by metro from Lille city centre). They are scheduled from Tuesday, July 11th to Thursday, July 13th 2023, including plenary and parallel sessions.

LOCATION

Lille, capital of the French Flanders, is located in the northernmost part of France. It is very convenient to travel to one of the major international airports in Paris (France), Brussels (Belgium), or London (UK). High speed train connections are regular and very practical, with very short travel times to Lille. Hotels and restaurants are available in all price categories, mostly in walking distance from the metro and train stations.

This circular intends to remind you of the information regarding the organization of the congress and update some practicalities.

Congress Website: https://strati2023.sciencesconf.org
ARRIVAL INFORMATION

The congress centre of Lille University on the Campus “Cité Scientifique” (ULLIAD, learning centre and innovation) can easily be reached by the metro line 1. LILLIAD is located in the centre of the Campus, just between the metro stops “Cité Scientifique Professeur Gabillard” and “4 Cantons Stade Pierre Mauroy”. From both metro stops LILLIAD is in short walking distance (see map below).

Although there is a hotel (Ascotel: www.ascotel.fr) in walking distance from LILLIAD, it is also convenient to book a hotel in the city centre of Lille. From the metro station “Lille Flandres” to the campus (LILLIAD) travel time by metro is about 15 minutes.

For details on the metro, including schedules, please, visit: https://www.ilevia.fr/fr/

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VENUE: LILLIAD Learning Center Innovation

The entire congress will take place at the LILLIAD congress centre, with plenary lectures in Amphitheatre A (Room A) and parallel session in rooms A-D. Some business meetings will take place additionally in other meeting rooms of LILLIAD. The congress centre includes numerous working spaces, and a cafétaria.

LILLIAD: building plan, with lecture halls A, B, C, D, Y
(lecture halls S11 and S12 are in the LILLIAD building but outside of the congress centre)

REGISTRATION AND FEE PAYMENT

Over 250 participants registered online; registrations are still possible for the scientific sessions (not for the excursions). Payment of the registration fee can still be made on-site. The congress kit will be distributed at the registration desk Monday, July 10th, between 1 and 8 pm, and the following days, between 8.30 am and 6 pm.

LANGUAGE

English will be the official language of the meeting and the field trips.

WIFI

A free WIFI connection will be available during the congress.

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SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

General scientific themes are organized as plenary sessions; parallel sessions (mostly organized by the different subcommissions), as well as poster sessions.

Remote participation is not possible. The congress is fully on-site!

The following scientific sessions are scheduled. For more detailed information visit the congress website: https://strati2023.sciencesconf.org/program

Subcommission Sessions

**SC1**: Time-scale calibration (July 12th, 4 pm, Room D)
**SC2**: The Anthropocene: stratigraphical concepts and evidence (July 11th, 4.30 pm, Room D)
**SC3**: Developments in Quaternary chronostratigraphy (July 11th, 2.15 pm, Room D)
**SC4**: Neogene stratigraphy and palaeoceanography (July 12th, 1.30 pm, Room D)
**SC5**: Advances in Paleogene research (July 12th, 11 am, Room D)
**SC6**: Integrated stratigraphy and GSSPs of the Cretaceous System (July 11th, 2.15 pm, Room A)
**SC7**: Cretaceous palaeoceanography, palaeogeography, biota, climate change and critical events (July 13th, 11 am, Room A)
**SC8**: The Jurassic: events, correlation and timescale (July 11th, 2.15 pm, Room B)
**SC9**: Triassic integrated stratigraphy, GSSPs, and extreme climatic, environmental and biotic events (July 12th, 11 am, Room A)
**SC10**: Correlation of glacial events and extinctions: the Permian and beyond (July 13th, 11 am, Room C)
**SC11**: Stratigraphy of the Carboniferous world (July 11th, 2.15 pm, Room C)
**SC12**: Devonian palaeoenvironments and time (July 13th, 11 am, Room B)
**SC13**: New stratigraphic insights into the Silurian story (July 12th, 4 pm, Room C)
**SC14**: Ordovician: correlation of events (July 12th, 1.30 pm, Room C)
**SC15**: Cambrian stratigraphy, palaeontology and depositional dynamics (July 12th, 11 am, Room C)
**SC16**: Tonian to Cryogenian stratigraphy, palaeobiology and Earth system change (July 13th, 11 am, Room D)
**SC17**: The Early Precambrian: a chronology of invisible time (July 13th, 2.30 pm, Room D)

General Sessions:

**GP1**: Advances in cyclostratigraphy – reconstructing geological time, palaeoclimate, and the Solar and Earth-Moon systems (July 13th, 9.45 am, Room A, Plenary)
**GP2**: From rock to time: evolutionary lineages and the calibration of the Chronostratigraphic Scale (July 12th, 9.45 am, Room A, Plenary)
**GP3**: Quantitative stratigraphic analysis using databases (July 12th, 11 am, Room B)
**GP4**: Palynology as a tool in multidisciplinary research: advances and applications (Aramco – CIMP sponsored session) (July 12th, 1.30 pm, Room B)
**GP5**: Integrated stratigraphy: methods and concepts (July 13th, 10.15 am, Room A, Plenary)
**GP7**: Miscellaneous session (July 12th, 4.30 pm, Room D, and July 13th, 4 pm, Room A, Plenary)

All talks are scheduled for a 15 minutes duration (with few exceptions for speakers being scheduled for two time-slots). Slide presentations should be saved in pdf format on a USB stick and should be uploaded on the computer during the break before the session in which the paper is presented, or earlier.
KEY-NOTE LECTURES

The following key-note lectures (45 minutes) are scheduled as plenary talks:

Laia Alegret (Zaragoza, Spain): Global events of the Paleogene: towards a refined and complete record (July 12th, 9 am, Room A, Plenary)
Lucia Angiolini (Milano, Italy): The biomineral archive of Carboniferous and Permian climates and environments (July 11th, 9.30 am, Room A, Plenary)
Steven Holland (Athens, GA, USA): The interplay of stratigraphic architecture and ecological gradients: the oft-overlooked control on the stratigraphic occurrence of fossils (July 13th, 4.30 pm, Room A, Plenary)
Michael Joachimski (Erlangen, Germany): Chemostratigraphy: Potential and Limitations (July 11th, 10.45 am, Room A, Plenary)
Jacques Laskar (Paris, France): The AstroGeo project. The interplay between space missions, celestial mechanics and the analysis of stratigraphic series (July 13th, 9 am, Room A, Plenary)
Christopher Scotese (Evanston, IL, USA): The Earth System History Machine: A Dynamic Simulation of Plate Tectonics, Paleogeography, Paleoclimate and Paleobiogeography (July 11th, 1.30 pm, Room A, Plenary)

POSTER SESSIONS

Due to a full programme, poster presentations are scheduled during the lunch and coffee breaks, but not during specific sessions.

All posters will be displayed in the lobby of the congress center during the entire congress duration.

Those who have registered for a poster must bring their poster printed in A0 size, portrait (not landscape). Poster boards are available with magnets.

WORKSHOPS

Two workshops are scheduled (registration needed)

WS1: OneStratigraphy Database and Constrained Optimization (CONOP) analysis (July 10th, 2 pm, Room A)

WS2: Radio-isotopic dating (July 10th, 2 pm, Room B)

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General Timetable of Sessions, Business meetings, Workshops and Breaks

Monday July 10th
- Registration
- Opening Ceremony
- Parallel sessions
- Coffee Break
- Parallel sessions
- Conference Dinner
- Closing Ceremony

Tuesday July 11th
- Registration
- Parallel sessions
- Coffee Break
- Parallel sessions
- Conference Dinner
- Closing Ceremony

Wednesday July 12th
- Registration
- Parallel sessions
- Coffee Break
- Parallel sessions
- Conference Dinner
- Closing Ceremony

Thursday July 13th
- Registration
- Parallel sessions
- Coffee Break
- Parallel sessions
- Conference Dinner
- Closing Ceremony

*Keynote speakers:*

- 19.00 Working
- 19.15 Group
- 19.30
- 19.45
- 20.00 Conference Dinner
- 20.15
- 20.30
- 20.45
- 21.00
BUSINESS MEETINGS: ICS, SUBCOMMISSIONS, WORKING GROUPS

ICS Business Meeting: July 11th, 12 pm, Room D (limited to ICS Subcommission chairs)

Subcommission on Stratigraphic Classification (July 12th, 12.30 pm, Room D)
Quaternary Subcommission (July 11th, 6 pm, Room D)
Neogene Subcommission (July 11th, 6 pm, Room Y)
Cretaceous Subcommission (July 12th, 6 pm, Room B)
Aptian Boundary Working Group (July 11th, 6 pm, Room A)
Jurassic Subcommission (July 11th, 6 pm, Room B)
Triassic Subcommission (July 12th, 6 pm, Room A)
Permian Subcommission (July 12th, 6 pm, Room Y)
Carboniferous Subcommission (July 11th, 6 pm, Room C)
Devonian Subcommission (July 12th, 6 pm, Room D)
Silurian Subcommission (July 12th, 6 pm, Room C)
Ordovician Subcommission (July 12th, 6 pm, Room S12)
Cambrian Subcommission (July 12th, 6 pm, Room S11)
Cryogenian Subcommission (July 11th, 6 pm, Room S11)

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ICEBREAKER PARTY

The congress will start with an **icebreaker party** (free) that is scheduled on Monday July 10th, 6 to 8 pm, in the Lobby and Terrace of the Congress Center LILLIAD. The reception is scheduled as a welcome cocktail (not a dinner).

CONFERENCE DINNER

The **conference dinner (registration needed)** will be organized on Wednesday, July 12th, at the Hermitage Gantois, an ancient hospice (a former charitable almshouse) of the late 15th Century, located in the city centre of Lille, in walking distance from the railway station (200 m distance from the metro station “Marie de Lille”). The reception and dinner will take place in the “Salle des Hospices” the historical main caring room.

https://www.hotelhermitagegantois.com

Salle des Hospices

Hermitage Gantois
Hermitage Gantois: Venue of the Conference Dinner

City centre of Lille with location of the railway stations, the Grand Place and the Hermitage Gantois
EXCURSIONS

Several pre- and post-conference excursions and one-day field trips are scheduled to take place before and after the indoor meeting. The field-trip leaders will contact individually the participants of each excursion.

Two excursions will not leave from Lille (UK Classics, and Estonian Ordovician). Please, contact the organizers directly.

Three excursions will leave and return from/to Lille:

**One-day field trip to Upper Jurassic** of the French ‘caps’ (opposite the cliffs of Dover)
Monday, July 10\textsuperscript{th}
Departure: July 10\textsuperscript{th}, 7.45 am, Métro Station “4 Cantons Stade Pierre Mauroy”.
Return: July 10\textsuperscript{th}, 6 pm.

**One-day field trip to the ‘Tertiary’ of Flanders, Belgium**
Ypresian and Rupelian (Paleogene).
Friday, July 14\textsuperscript{th}
Departure: July 14\textsuperscript{th}, 7.45 am, Métro Station “4 Cantons Stade Pierre Mauroy”.
Return: July 14\textsuperscript{th}, 6 pm

**Post-congress excursion 3**
Friday July 14\textsuperscript{th} to Sunday July 16\textsuperscript{th} 2023
**Belgian Classics: Devonian-Carboniferous** of southern Belgium and northern France.
Departure: July 14\textsuperscript{th}, 7.45 am, Métro Station “4 Cantons Stade Pierre Mauroy”.
Return: July 16\textsuperscript{th}, 6 pm

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Cap Blanc Nez – Côte d’Opale

Devonian type section of Givet, Meuse Valley

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