First Circular

After the successful 1st Joint Conference of the Palaeontological Society of China and the Paläontologische Gesellschaft held in Göttingen, Germany, in September 2013, great progress has been made between China and Germany concerning palaeontology and related subjects. In order to summarise this four years’ progress and to present the results, the 2nd Joint Conference will be held in Yichang City, Hubei Province, China from October 10th to 13th, 2017.

We cordially invite you to participate in the 2nd Joint Conference of the Palaeontological Society of China and the Paläontologische Gesellschaft this year under the topic “Critical Intervals in Earth History: Palaeobiological Innovations”. We expect about 250 to 300 participants from China, Germany and German-speaking countries coming together from research institutes, universities, museums as well as other organisations of palaeontology or related subjects.

Organised by: Palaeontological Society of China (PSC)

Organised by: Paläontologische Gesellschaft (PalGes)

Chairs: Prof. Dr. Yang Qun (President of PSC)

Chairs: Prof. Dr. Joachim Reitner (President of PalGes)

Date: October 10th to 13th, 2017
Conference venue: Taohualing Hotel, Yichang, Hubei Province, China

Language: The official language of the Joint Conference will be English.

Scientific Sessions: Scientific sessions will be chaired by conveners of Chinese and German scientists. Plenary talks as well as oral and poster presentations will be arranged in sessions.

Awards: The Young Scientist Award will be announced to encourage participation of young scientists and students from China and Germany.

Field Excursions:

Pre-conference October 8th to 10th near Yichang City

Post-conference October 14th to 17th Yunnan Guizhou Sichuan West Liaoning

Charges will be announced in the Second Circular

Conference Publication:

Proceedings Volume will be published in international journals
Registration fees:

**Formal participant** 300,- €

**Student participant** 200,- €

Fees include meals, conference dinner, social event, transportation from airport or main train station to conference venue, abstract volume

Accommodation: Hotel reservations are the responsibility of the attendees themselves but we will provide help if needed.

Travel: It is possible to fly to Yichang Sanxia Airport via Shanghai, Beijing or Chengdu. Also a train is running from larger cities to the Yichang main train station.

Dates & deadlines:

**Conference Circulars**

- March 2017 First Circular
- May 1st, 2017 Second Circular
- September 1st, 2017 Third Circular

**Abstract submission**

- June 30th, 2017

Abstract submission guide will be available with the Second Circular

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We are looking forward to seeing you in Yichang