



SECOND CIRCULAR

The African Association of Women in Geosciences (AAWG)

is organizing its 8th conference under the title

Building bridges between Earth Scientists worldwide: a way for promoting peace and strengthening integration

Sibiu, Romania, 1-7 October 2016

PARTNERS



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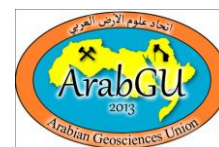
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Arab Geosciences Union - ArabGU



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PREAMBLE

The African Association of Women in Geosciences (AAWG) is supporting the development of Earth Scientists in Africa by providing opportunities for networking and promoting the application of geosciences for sustainable development. To meet these challenges, AAWG is organizing numerous activities in and out of the African continent. Biennial International Conferences are being organized to address various challenges that the African continent is facing and to which Earth Sciences could bring a contribution. In order to strengthen the collaboration between our African and non-African members and also to increase the visibility of the Association, the 8th AAWG Conference is being organized for the first time out of the African continent. To meet these objectives, we choose as a title for the 8th conference "**Building bridges between Earth Scientists Worldwide: A Way for Promoting Peace and Strengthening Integration**".

This conference is organized locally by the Geological Society of Romania and is hosted by Astra National Museum Complex, Sibiu.

CONFERENCE SUB-THEMES

Earth Sciences and their applications
Mining Geology
Geoheritage, Geotourism, Geoparks
Earth Sciences and society

LANGUAGE

The languages of the conference are English and French. Each participant will have 15 minutes for oral presentation and 5 minutes for questions and comments. Poster authors have 5 minutes to present their posters.

Guidelines for preparation of the posters

Poster dimensions should be 100-120 cm in height and 100 cm in width. Choose large and good quality photographs. Please use only fonts larger than 24 points and make sure the main points can be read at eye level. Useful tips for a good poster presentation can be found at the following links:

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1876493/>

<http://www.engconf.org/staging/wp-content/uploads/2012/03/poster.pdf>

<http://colinpurrington.com/tips/poster-design>

We suggest to include a photograph of the authors or at least the main author.

POSSIBILITY OF PUBLICATION OF PAPERS

Papers will be published in GEO-ECO-MARINA, the annual journal of GeoEcoMar. An e-version of the volume will be published in French, on the websites of AAWG, Geological Society of Romania, NRD GeoEcoMar.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION OF PAPERS FOR PUBLISHING

The papers should not exceed 25 pages (figures, tables and references included), A4 size paper (21.0 x 29.7 cm), written in English and/or French. Full name, complete address of the authors must be clearly specified. All correspondence will be maintained with the corresponding author only. Deadline for submission of papers: April 30th 2017. The names of the co-authors should be written in capital letters to allow the distinction from the first names. More detailed instructions will be given in the 3rd Circular.

Submission of the papers

The papers must be sent as an attached file to seghedi@geoecomar.ro, by April 30 2017.

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Day 1, 1 October 2016

- 9.00 -10.00 - Registration
- 10.00-10.30 - Official opening
- 10.30-12.30 - Plenary lectures
- 12.30-13.30 - Lunch break
- 13.30-17.45 - Scientific session ***Earth Sciences and their applications***
- 17.45-20.00 - Social program - visit medieval Sibiu

Day 2, 2 October 2016

- 8.30-11.45 - Scientific session ***Earth Sciences and their applications***
- 11.45-12.30 - Poster session
- 12.30-13.30 - Lunch break
- 13.30-16.30 - Scientific session **Mining geology / Géologie minière**
- 16.30-20.30 - Social program - Visit of the fortified churches in Cisnădie and Cisnădioara and the Frog's Stone geological monument

Day 3, 3 October 2016

- 8.00 - Participants leave by bus for Hateg and General Berthelot
- 10.00 - 12.30 Workshop coordinated by Alexandru Andraşanu, in the Hateg Country Dinosaur Geopark: *Interpretation of geological heritage. Case study: the Haţeg Country Dinosaur Geopark. Choices on geological heritage, principles of interpretation and way of communication; visual identity and infrastructure for interpretation: thematic trails, exhibitions, museums, promotional materials*
- 12.30-13.30 - Lunch break at General Berthelot
- 13.30-16.00 - Visit the Volcano house in Densus, the Miniature house in Santamaria Orlea, the Center of Science and Arts in General Berthelot and the Dinosaur Valley.

- 16.00 - Bus departs for Sibiu
- 18.00-22.30 **Social program - visit to the Museum of painted glass icons in Sibiel and gala dinner**

Day 4, 4 October 2016

- 8.30 - 12.15 Scientific session **Geoheritage, Geotourism & Geoparks**
- 12.30-13.30 Lunch break
- 13.30- 14.30 Scientific session **Earth Sciences & Society**
- 14.30-15.30 - **Round table & Annual Meeting of AAWG**
- 15.30-15.45 - **Closure of the conference**
- 16.00 - Departure of participants to Bucharest by bus. Departure of field trip participants to Deva by bus.

Days 5-7, 5-7 October 2016

Field trip in the Apuseni Mountains and South Carpathians

Day 5 - Apuseni Mountains - Mureş zone ophiolites, Neogene volcanism and related mineralization, The Gold Museum in Brad, Miocene salt in Transylvania. Overnight in Alba Iulia.

Leader Viorica Milu

Day 6 - South Carpathians - Hațeg Basin and structure the northern rim of the Central South Carpathians. Overnight in Avrig.
Leaders Tudor Berza, Antoneta Seghedi, Mihaela Melinte

Day 7 - South Carpathians - geology of the Rucăr-Bran passage. Arrival in Bucharest in the evening.
Leader Iulia Lazăr

On September 30, participants flying to Bucharest will be waited for in the Henri Coandă International Airport. At 17.30, participants will leave to Sibiu by bus.

On October 3, participants will travel by bus to Hațeg for the workshop on geological heritage.

On October 4, the bus will leave for Bucharest in the afternoon, with participants whose departure flights are on October 5. Participants in the field trip will travel to Deva by minibus.

CONFERENCE CHAIRS

Ezzoura Errami & Antoneta Seghedi

Session chairs will be announced around September 15, when the final program will be ready.

FIELD TRIP

The field trip will visit the Southern Apuseni Mountains, Hațeg Basin and the Central South Carpathians. More details can be found in the conference brochure:

<http://www.geosociety.ro/wp-content/uploads2/2016/01/8-th-CAAWG-brosura.pdf>

Field trip fee: 300 €/ person

The field trip fees include the costs of the field guidebook, transportation, accommodation and meals during the field trip. The meeting and the field trip fees should be paid to the CAAWG8 account (provided below) or on desk during the conference. In case of bank transfer, proof of payment should be provided at the beginning of the conference, or it should be sent by email to the organizing committee.

The field trip involves shorter or longer hikes. Rain coats and warm clothes are necessary in case of rain or cooler weather in the mountains.

WEATHER

In Romania the month of October is characterized by *rapidly falling* daily high temperatures, with daily highs decreasing from 19°C to 12°C over the course of the month, exceeding 24°C or dropping below 5°C only one day in ten. Normal high temperatures for October in Sibiu area are around 16 °C, with an average temperature around 9°C and an average minimum around 3-4 °C.

The weather during the 8th CAAWG can be sunny and warm, except the cooler mornings and evenings. Rain is also possible.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES

Early bird registration by 30 July 2016

- 270 € for private companies and international participants
- 120 € for African nonAAWG members
- 100 € for AAWG members and students

Late registration by August 31

- 300 € for private companies and international participants
- 150 € for African nonAAWG members
- 130 € for AAWG members and students

Registration at the conference

- 350 € for private companies and international participants
- 180 € for African nonAAWG members
- 150 € for AAWG members and students

The registration fees include the travel fees from Bucharest airport to Sibiu and from Sibiu to Bucharest, the abstract volume, coffee breaks, and conference lunches.

- 25 € Gala Dinner

PAYMENTS

CAAWG 8 banking details:

Societatea Geologică a României

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Tax code: 14618797

Bank name: Banca Comercială Română, sucursala UNIC

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RO06 RNCB 0285 0084 2061 0003 (USD)

Please supply name as reference, and email the proof of payment to CAAWG8. Payments without reference or proof will be considered as a donation to the Association.

DEADLINES

30 June 2015 - First Circular

30 April 2016 - Conference & Field trip Registration & Abstracts submission, extended to 30 July

15 July 2016 - Second Circular

20 September 2016 - Conference program

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