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3rd IGeoC

3rd International UNESCO Conference on Geoparks

21.06. - 26.06. 2008 Osnabrück

Agenda



INTERNATIONAL YEAR
OF PLANET EARTH
2007-2009



Saturday, 21 June 2008, Historic Market Place Osnabrück

- 11:00 - 22:00 1st Global Geoparks Fair
Opening by Prof. Dr. Hans-Gert Pöttering, President of the
European Parliament
and
Walter Hirche, President of German UNESCO Commission
- 19:00 - 22:00 Public Geopark Party
Irish Folk Music performed by 'Hidden Fermanagh' from
Enniskillen, Northern Island

Sunday, 22 June 2008, Historic Market Place Osnabrück

- 11:00 - 18:00 1st Global Geoparks Fair
Presentation of Global Geoparks
Accompanying Cultural Programme, Food and Drinks

Sunday, 22 June 2008

- 17:00 - 20:00 Registration at the Convention Hall (Stadthalle)
- 20:00 - 21:00 Icebreaker Reception (Castle of Osnabrück, University)
Welcome by the mayor of Osnabrück, Boris Pistorius

Monday, 23 June 2008, Convention Hall (Stadthalle)

Bad Rothenfelde Day

- 10:00 - 12:00 Opening Ceremony
- Welcome Addresses by
- Landrat Manfred Hugo, President of TERRA.vita
 - Dr. Walter Erdelen, Assistant Director – General for Natural Sciences, UNESCO Paris
 - Christoph Ehrenberg, Federal Ministry for Education and Research, Berlin
 - Prof. Dr. Werner Wamhoff, German Environmental Foundation
 - Prof. Dr. Antonio Brambati (ITA), IUGS Executive Committee
 - Prof. Dr. Ibrahim Komoo (MAS), Coordinator of the Asian-Pacific Geopark Network
 - Prof. Dr. Nickolas Zouros (GRE), Coordinator of the European Geopark Network

Keynote Talks

- Klaus Liedtke, Editor in Chief, National Geographic, Germany:
Selling Nature: How to Communicate the Geological Heritage of our Planet
- Ed de Mulder, Executive Director (International Year of Planet Earth / IYPE), NL:
IYPE and Geoparks, a Wonderful Match!

- 12:30 - 13:40 Lunch
- 13:45 - 15:00 Lectures
- 15:30 - 16:45 Lectures
- 17:15 – 19:00 GGN Business Meeting (GGN + Honorary Members + Advisors)
- 20:00 - 21:30 Reception (DBU/ZUK)
Introduction by Prof. Dr. Werner Wamhoff, German Environmental Foundation

Tuesday, 24 June 2008, Convention Hall (Stadthalle)

Bad Essen Day

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| 09:00 - 10:30 | <u>Lectures</u> |
| 11:00 - 12:30 | <u>Lectures</u> |
| 12:30 - 14:00 | Lunch |
| 14:00 - 15:15 | <u>Lectures</u> |
| 15:45 - 16:45 | <u>Lectures</u> |
| 17:15 | Departure to the New Information Centre TERRA.vision and the TERRA.park, Osnabrück |
| 18:00 | Welcome by Hans-Heinrich Sander, Minister for the Environment, Lower Saxony |

Wednesday, 25 June 2008, Convention Hall (Stadthalle)

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| 09:00 - 10:30 | <u>Lectures</u> |
| 11:00 - 12:45 | <u>Workshops</u> |
| 12:45 - 14:00 | Lunch |
| 14:00 - 15:30 | <u>Workshops</u> |
| 16:00 | Departure to the 'Varus Battlefield' by Bus |
| 16:30 - 18:30 | Field Trip 'Varus Battlefield and Museum' |

- 18:30 Welcome Address by Manfred Hugo, President of TERRA.vita
- Welcome Speech by Christian Wulff, Prime Minister of Lower Saxony
- Certificates to New Global Geoparks awarded by Dr. Margarete Patzak (UNESCO), Christian Wulff and Manfred Hugo
- Evening Dinner and Entertainment
Musical 'Mary and the Dinosaurs' performed by pupils from Bad Essen
- 23:00 Departure to Hotels

Thursday, 26 June 2008, Convention Hall (Stadthalle)

- 09:00 - 09:10 Introduction to the Morning Session (plenary)
- 09:10 - 10:50 Reports from Workshops
- 11:15 - 13:00 Reports from the Youth Camp 'Meet Your Geopark'
- 13:00 - 14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 - 14:30 Keynote Speech: The Future of Geotourism
Prof. Ross K. Dowling (AUS)
- 15:00 - 15:30 Conference Declaration
- 15:30 - 15:45 Announcement of 2010 Venue
- 15:45 Farewell

Friday, 27 June 2008 – Sunday, 29 June 2008

Post Conference Field Trips Depart

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