

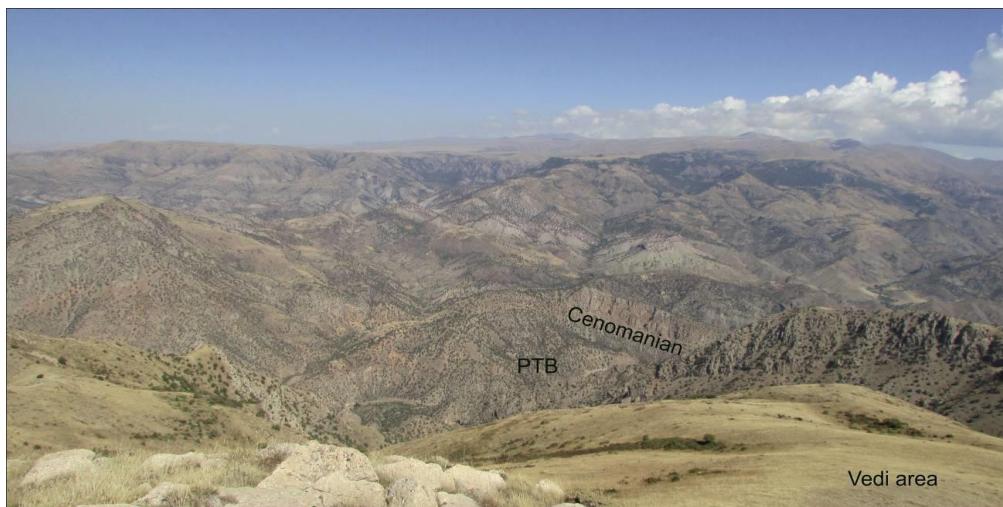


NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA INSTITUTE OF GEOLOGICAL SCIENCES

**The 5th IGCP 630 Field Workshop: Permian and Triassic integrated
Stratigraphy and Climatic, Environmental and Biotic Extremes**

THE PERMIAN-TRIASSIC TRANSITION IN SOUTHERN ARMENIA

October 8th - 14th, 2017



Field photograph of the Vedi area (southern Armenia); in the foreground, carbonates at the Permian-Triassic boundary (PTB) are unconformably overlain by Cenomanian limestones

SECOND CIRCULAR

Yerevan – 2017

Dear colleagues,

You are welcome to take part in the 5th international Conference IGCP 630 Field Workshop «Permian and Triassic integrated Stratigraphy and Climatic, Environmental and Biotic Extremes» which will be held on October 8 -14, 2017 in Yerevan (Republic of Armenia). As far as the conference is concerned, please note that the time slot of each presentation should not exceed 20 min (including 5 minutes for questions). English will be the official language of the conference.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

October 8: Arrival in Yerevan, transfer to a hotel.

October 9, 10: Conference at the Round Hall of Presidium of the Armenian National Academy of Sciences, Yerevan.

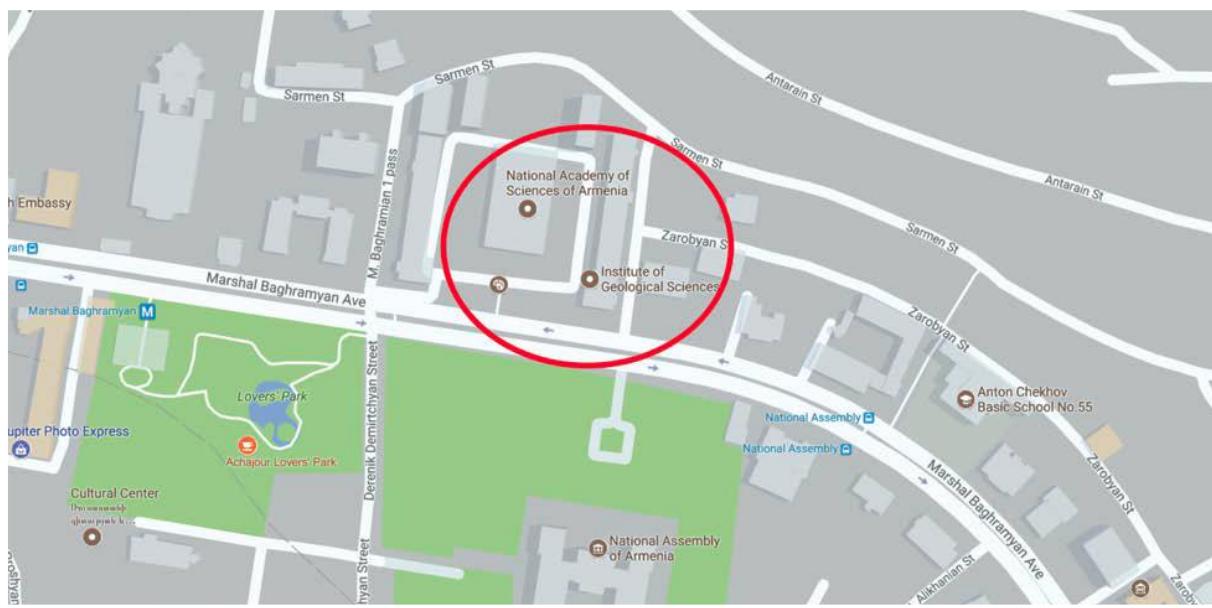
October 11-13: conference field trips

October 13: Conference dinner

October 14: Samples packing for expedition, departure of the participants in the afternoon or in the night.

Conference venue: Round Hall of Presidium of the Armenian National Academy of Sciences

Registration of participants will begin at 9:00 AM on the 9th of October at the Armenian National Academy of Sciences, Yerevan, 24 Marshal Baghramyan Avenue. Conference will start at 09:30 AM. Both Presidium and our Institute are very easy to locate on Baghramyan Avenue. For details see the photo and the map below.



AIRPORT AND PICK-UP

Modern and passenger friendly newly build terminal of Zvartnots International Airport is just 12 km away from the center of the capital of Armenia-Yerevan. You can take a taxi to reach

the hotel (Taxi service office is located at the arrival level of the airport terminal, at the exit from the baggage claim/customs area). It will cost about 5000 AMD (about 10 US Dollars).

Alternatively, you can request your hotel about airport transfer service.

*Please consider that some presented hotels, in the “*Hotel and discount information for IGCP-2017 Symposium participants*” section, provide pick up and drop off free of charge.
Airport web site: www.zvartnots.aero

VISA INFORMATION

□ Citizens of all European Union countries, USA and former USSR countries do not need visas to enter Armenia.

□ Citizens of many countries can get visa on arrival in the airport (visa fee ~5 USD)

More information about visa policy of Armenia:

<http://mfa.am/en/visa/>

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Visa_policy_of_Armenia

Early bird registration fee: (20 February - 15 September 2017)

78,000.00 AMD for conference part only at Institute of Geological Sciences - (equivalent to 150 Euro)

312,000.00 AMD for three-day field workshop (equivalent to 600 Euro)

260,000.00 AMD for student and accompanying person for both conference part and field workshop, (equivalent to 500 Euro)

Late registration fee: (16 Sep - Through on-site)

Conference part only at Institute of Geological Sciences - 200 Euro

Three-day field workshop 650 Euro

Student and accompanying person for both conference part and field workshop 550 Euro

Registration fee covers:

Transportation and field excursions,
Accommodation in the field, single and double rooms in Vayk
(hotels in Yerevan are not covered),
Breakfast, lunch, dinner in the field trips

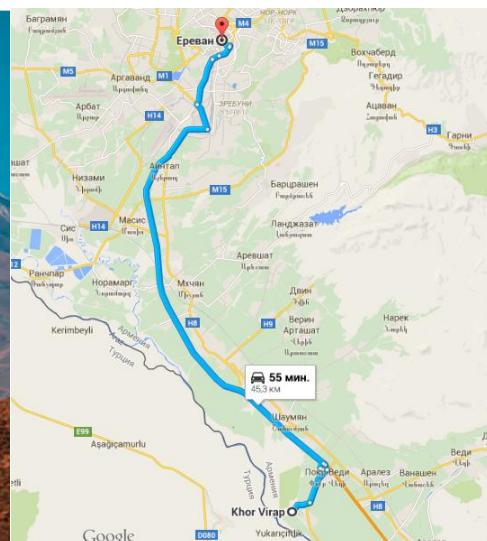
Coffee breaks and lunch during the conference days in Yerevan, visit to the museum Matenadaran, Khor Virap monastery and conference dinner

10th of October after conference we will visit Matenadaran and Khor Virap monastery. Matenadaran - Scientific Research Institute of Ancient Manuscripts after Mesrop Mashtots is a repository of ancient manuscripts, research institute and museum in Yerevan. It holds one of the world's richest depositories of medieval manuscripts and books which span a broad range of subjects, including history, philosophy, medicine, literature, art history and cosmography in Armenian and many other languages.



Khor Virap monastery is located in the Ararat plain in Armenia, near the closed border with Turkey (46km from Yerevan to monastery Khor Virap). The Ararat Mountain is making an amazing landscape. The taller peak reaches 5.165m, whereas the small one is just 3.900m high; they are separated from each other by the 11.3km distance. The Khor Virap Monastery is a shrine and a pilgrimage site important to the Armenian Christianity. The church complex is built atop the pit (= virap in Armenian), where St. Gregory the Illuminator was cruelly imprisoned, some time at AD 288 by the heathen Armenian King Trdat III. St. Gregory suffered his imprisonment in that pit for 14 years until upon miraculously curing the king of a loathsome disease, the king freed him and converted himself and Armenia to Christianity. In 301, Armenia was the first country in the world to be declared a Christian nation.

Return to Yerevan.



Field workshop schedule:

October 11: Day 1. Field Trip will start at 8:00 AM from Institute of Geological Sciences of Armenia. We kindly ask all participants to come to the entrance of Institute of Geological Sciences of the Armenian National Academy of Sciences at 7:50 AM at the latest. The bus (with air conditioning) will pick you up from there. Yerevan-Vayk 140 km accommodation in the Hotel Amrots in the city of Vayk. Afterwards we will visit Ogbin outcrop (30 km from the city Vayk to Ogbin section).

October 12: Day 2. Visit to the Chanakhchi outcrop section in v. Zangakatun. (c. Vayk - v. Zangakatun- 50km). Return to Hotel Amrots.

October 13: Day 3. From c.Vayk to c.Vedi (86 km). First we will visit **Noravank monastery**. Noravank means “new monastery” in English. The church, completed in 1339, is said to be the masterpiece of the great medieval Armenian architect, Momik. Two extremely narrow steps form a cantilever lead up to the main hall of the church. The fine carved relief of Christ over the doorway, flanked by St. Peter and St. Paul. Above the ground floor, directly below the cantilevered stairs, there is a carved relief of the Holy Virgin with Jesus set on her lap and a pair of angels.



Visit to the Vedi outcrop sections. Return to Yerevan (67 km).

October 13: conference dinner in “Pandok Yerevan” restaurant

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October 14: Samples packing for expedition, departure of the participants in the afternoon or in the night.

Field trip organizing committee:

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HOTEL AND DISCOUNT INFORMATION FOR 5th IGCP 630 CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS YEREVAN, ARMENIA, 8-14 OCTOBER 2017

In a separate circular you can find 9 different hotels from luxurious to affordable ones of a traditional and European style. We negotiated some discounts and extra options with the listed hotels and you may find information about how to reserve hotel with discount as an IGCP-2017 participant. You can make a choice from the hotels according to your taste and requirements. Alternatively you may find many hotels in Yerevan yourself, but we would like to suggest you to check for hotels located in the city center, not very far from the Armenian National Academy of Sciences. Anyway we kindly advise you to reserve/book a hotel in Yerevan now, since October is a high season here.

Please note that **all prices are listed in Armenian Drams (AMD) approx. exchange rate is 1Euro=560 AMD or 1 USD=478 AMD (you can get fresh rates at www.rate.am)**

Hotel List:

A) Walking distance of the Armenian National Academy of Sciences Building **OPERA SUITE HOTEL**

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BASS BOUTIQUE HOTEL

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VILLA AYGHDZOR HOTEL

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SILK ROAD HOTEL

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B) In the town with possible free transfer to the Conference venue

ROYAL GRAND TULIP HOTEL YEREVAN

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DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON HOTEL YEREVAN CITY

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TUFENKIAN HISTORIC YEREVAN HOTEL

BEST WESTERN CONGRESS HOTEL

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IBIS YEREVAN CENTER HOTEL

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We look forward to working with you on a successful conference!

