



International Association of Sedimentologists  
29th IAS Meeting in Sedimentology  
*“Sedimentology in the Heart of the Alps”*  
Schladming in Dachstein, September 10–13, 2012

The 29th Meeting of Sedimentology has been brought together with all facets of sedimentology. It featured a broad interdisciplinary Scientific Programme, an exciting range of Pre- and Post-Meeting Field Trips, which were organized with important contributions from out-Austrian partners and with input of Slovenian, Croatian, Hungarian, Germanian and Slovakian neighbors. Expert training and Post-Meeting Short Courses an Exhibition and Leisure Options were other features. This superb Meeting was organized by Montanuniversitaet Leoben under the guidance of Prof. H.-J. Gawlick and Dr. S. Missoni. It was participated by top specialists in sedimentology from countries of the entire world.

One of the most attractive points of the 29th Meeting of Sedimentology was the possibility to join several attractive geological field trips. The region surrounding Schladming encloses a wide spectrum of famous sedimentary

rock sequences, superbly exposed in the outcrops of the Eastern Alps. The Northern Calcareous Alps are the type area of numerous classical Mesozoic sites including Global Boundary Stratotype Section and Points (GSSP). Also, there was a variety of trips that examined famous outcrops of Paleozoic and Cenozoic sedimentary strata in the Eastern Alps, and sedimentary ore deposits. Several field trips were also held in the mountain chains of the Southern Alps, the Dinarides and the Pannonian Basin. Altogether, eight (2 pre- and 6 post-Meeting) fieldtrips were organized.

Three days were devoted to number of scientific talks in seven parallel sessions held both in the Schladming Conference Centre and in the Sporthotel Royer. They were arranged into 46 thematic groups, which presented their results in form of oral and poster presentations. Several important talks were given in the form of plenary lectures each day.

The participants approved the suggestion of Swiss colleagues to held the 19th International Sedimentological Congress in Geneva under the theme “*Sedimentology at the Crossroads of New Frontiers*” in August 18–22nd, 2014.

