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FOURTH VENTS FIELD WORKSHOP

Permo-Carboniferous Volcanism in the Kraków Region

The VENTS programme concerns volcanic systems within the Central European Permo-Carboniferous intermontane basins and their basement. The main goal of the VENTS project is to assess the data and knowledge that exist on volcano-sedimentary evolution in Poland, Germany and the Czech Republic during the Late Paleozoic. The VENTS meetings are forums of discussion involving scientists and students from universities and geological surveys in the three countries.



Workshop attendees during the field trip. COURTESY OF M. AWDANKIEWICZ

After successful workshops in Bolków (Poland, June 2006), Turnov (Czech Republic, June 2007) and Freiberg (Germany, May 2008), the fourth VENTS field workshop (VENTS 4) was held on 21–24 May in Miękinia, west of Kraków in Poland. It was devoted to Permo-Carboniferous volcanism of the Kraków region and was organized by the Mineralogical Society of Poland, together with the Institute of Geological Sciences of Kraków Jagiellonian University, the Institute of Geology of Poznań Adam Mickiewicz University, the Institute of Geological Sciences of Wrocław University, the Institute of Geochemistry, Mineralogy and Petrology of Warsaw University and the Institut für Geologie, Technische Universität Bergakademie Freiberg.



Participants examining basaltic trachyandesite lavas in Regulice. COURTESY OF M. AWDANKIEWICZ

The oral communications presented during the seminars, the posters covering a wide range of topics, and the open debates provided an excellent forum to discuss recent developments. The subsequent field trips introduced the volcanism of southern Poland: (1) Permo-Carboniferous volcanism of the Kraków region, led by Ewa Słaby (Warsaw University) and Anna Lewandowska (Jagiellonian University Kraków); and (2)

Cretaceous alkaline magmatism from the Polish Outer Western Carpathians, led by Roman Włodyka and Łukasz Karwowski (University of Silesia, Sosnowiec).

The abstracts and the field trip guide were published in the 34th volume of *Mineralogia – Special Papers*. Printed materials and VENTS 4 were organized with the financial support of the Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education and the German Research Foundation (DFG).

For more information, please visit www.geo.tu-freiberg.de/dynamo/VENTS.htm.

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GOLDSCHMIDT 2010



Ted Labotka, Dave Cole, and Hap McSween invite you to Knoxville, Tennessee, June 13–18, 2010, for the twentieth Goldschmidt Conference. The theme of the conference is “Earth, Energy, and the Environment,” and the venue will be the Knoxville Convention Center in the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains. Your hosts are the University of Tennessee and Oak Ridge National Laboratory. Please visit the website www.goldschmidt2010.org to submit proposals for sessions and for more information about Goldschmidt 2010.

FINAL CALL FOR 2010 AWARD NOMINATIONS

Once again it is time to ask for nominations for the Goldschmidt Medal, the Clarke Medal, the Patterson Medal, the Treibs Medal and the GS/EAG Geochemical Fellows Awards. **October 31, 2009**, is the deadline for receipt of nominations for these awards. For information on nomination requirements, visit the Geochemical Society website at www.geochemsoc.org/awards. Please take the time to consider the accomplishments of your valued friends and colleagues and nominate them. With your help, we can ensure that all of geochemistry is recognized and all deserving geochemists are considered.



The **V.M. Goldschmidt Medal** is awarded for major achievements in geochemistry or cosmochemistry, consisting of either a single outstanding contribution or a series of publications that have had great influence on the field.



The **F.W. Clarke Medal** is awarded to an early-career scientist for a single outstanding contribution to geochemistry or cosmochemistry, published either as a single paper or as a series of papers on a single topic.



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The **Alfred Treibs Medal** is awarded by the Organic Geochemistry Division for major achievements, over a period of years, in organic geochemistry.

The **GS/EAG Geochemical Fellows Award** is bestowed upon outstanding scientists who have, over some years, made a major contribution to the field of geochemistry.

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