IGCP667-2019 Meeting

December 10th-12th 2019 Africa Museum, Tervuren (Belgium)

Scope of Meeting

This second annual meeting was held in Tervuren in Belgium on December 10th-12th, 2019 and was hosted by the Africa Museum (former Royal Museum for Central Africa).

It included two days of meeting / conferences focused on African and European orogens and old cratons in collaboration with the Africa Museum, which is a major player in the geological investigations in Africa. After a first version of the world map already realized (including the main orogens of the different continents with their respective ages and a detailed legend), the main aim of this meeting was to focus, in particular on the design of the African continent and to present a sketch of the map in the other regions of the world.

This meeting also included a visit of the Africa Museum, especially the Geological part, and a one-day fieldtrip in the Meuse Valley, in the Belgian Brabant Massif, which displays a major unconformity between the Caledonian (Cambrian to Silurian) and Variscan (Devonian to Carboniferous) orogens.



Achievements of Meeting

We had a very international meeting with young scientists and students from Africa including women: a group of 25 representatives from Democratic Republic of the Congo, Cameroon, Burundi, Belgium, Germany, Turkey, France, Russia, Netherland and Switzerland.

Anne-Christine DA SILVA from the University of Liège (Belgium) was also invited to present the IGCP Project 652: Reading geologic time in Paleozoic sedimentary rocks: the need for an integrated stratigraphy to promote cross connections between IGCP projects.



After one day of conferences on key zones, three work groups were create to correct and re-draw some area: African continent, South and East Asia and Europe and one group work on paleo-reconstruction of continents to better constrain the formation of the orogens through time and space.

Outcome of Meeting

Every work groups have now a plan for the next months. We plan to contact specialist for the other continents and key area and do a point in six months to compile all the maps obtained. The legend will also be simplified and modify to use the main colours of the ICS chart