

Call for Symposia for IPC XIII / IOPC IX 2012 (Tokyo, Japan)

Dear colleague,

We cordially invite proposals again for symposia for IPC XIII / IOPC IX 2012, the joint meeting of the 13th International Palynological Congress and 9th International Organization of Palaeobotany Conference to be held on August 23-30 2012 at Chuo University in Tokyo, Japan, as previously planned (http://wwwsoc.nii.ac.jp/psj3/ipc13japan/Announcement_June2010/index.htm).

A call for pre-proposals of symposia went on early this year, but only a limited number of applications have arrived by the deadline on 31 May 2011. Now we invite pre-proposals again with the deadline until **31 August 2011**.

The theme of the IPC/IOPC 2012 is “Palynology and Palaeobotany in the Century of the Environment”. Proposed symposia could come from various disciplines such as Palaeobotany, Palaeoecology, Palaeoclimatology, Biostratigraphy, Plant taxonomy, Plant morphology, Cell biology, Aerobiology, Allergology, Melissopalynology, Forensic palynology, etc. We also welcome symposium proposals including leading-edge techniques.

If you are interested in organizing a symposium, please prepare a “pre-proposal” that briefly describes the symposium in English. This pre-proposal should include the followings. Please use the attached file to submit the pre-proposal.

1. A descriptive title
2. One or two paragraphs explaining the purpose of symposium
3. A tentative list of speakers (unconfirmed), their institutions or affiliations, and preliminary presentation titles

We will accept only one symposium proposal from each individual. Please send the pre-proposal to the program committee (program.ipc.iopc.2012@gmail.com), and use the subject heading: IPC/IOPC 2012 Symposium proposal.

The program committee will review the pre-proposals and may make suggestion in view of organization of whole symposia. For example, the committee may request merging of proposed symposia with similar topics.

We also welcome workshop proposals.

More information about the IPC/IOPC 2012 is available at

http://wwwsoc.nii.ac.jp/psj3/ipc13japan/call_for_symposia/index.htm

We are preparing for a call for applications of Symposium Proposals, which will start in July. We would like ask you the application by two steps:

1st step: pre-proposal (dead line **31 August, 2011**)

2nd step: proposal (dead line **31 October 2011**)

We look forward to receiving your contributions.

Best wishes

Organizing committee

Program committee

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