

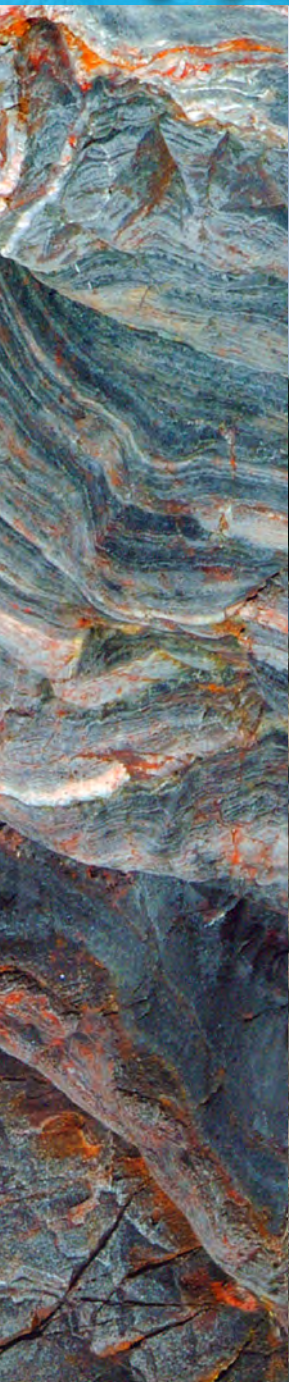


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Thermal conductivity values of some sandstones and shales from the Belait Formation

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Abstract — The Belait Formation has been found to mainly consist of alternating sandstone and shale with conglomerate as the basal unit. There are five main facies that could be classified in the Belait Formation: 1) sandstone, 2) sandstone with clay drapes, 3) sandstone with carbonaceous material, 4) shale, and 5) conglomerate. Thermal conductivity analysis was done on the rock samples to understand the heat transfer between different rock facies. Apart from that, understanding the thermal conductivity characteristics enhances basin modeling and reservoir characterization. The general objective of this study was to estimate the thermal conductivities of rocks belonging to the Belait Formation and to link this information to the properties any possible signature trends that might bench mark the Formation. The study shows that there is an inverse relationship between the thermal conductivity and petrophysical properties such as porosity and particle size. The sedimentary rocks of the Belait Formation tend to have thermal conductivity values that are controlled by the internal fabric of the rocks. The relationship between thermal conductivity, porosity and particle size suggests that the trend line may be a unique signature for the Belait Formation.

INTRODUCTION

Liechti *et al.* (1960) stated that the Belait Formation mainly consisted of alternative sandstone with different proportion and thickness of sand and clay. These authors interpreted that the depositional setting to be a secluded basin in filled by material form deltaic-paralic and littoral sediment. The environmental changed from a deltaic-paralic environment and gradually developed into shallow marine and into fully marine environment. Belait Formation gradually merges the marine Lambir or Miri Formation (Liechti *et al.*, 1960).

Mailvaganan (1974) stated that three different Formations (Belait, Lambir and Argillaceous Setap) were found in the Marudi area and described them on the basis of sandstone-shale ratios, the topography and depositional environment setting. Mailvaganan (1974) concluded that the Belait Formation has a 60:40 ratio of sandstone to shale and siltstone. Lambir Formation has a 40:60 ratio of sandstone to shale and siltstone and occurs in the lower elevations of Marudi area (Mailvaganan, 1974). The depositional environment for both Belait and Lambir Formation were interpreted to be tidal flats or estuaries environment. The Lambir Formation was deposited under marine influence. The Setap Formation is interpreted to have been deposited under shallow marine condition. Recent updates on the Cenozoic basins are

given by Koopman (in Sandal, 1996) and an excellent account of the geology of NW Borneo has been given by Hutchison (2005).

Based on the above, it is evident that the distinction between the Lambir and Belait Formations has become somewhat arbitrary. Furthermore, it appears that spatial variability exists in this area and that arbitrary distinctions between two types of Formations may not be a suitable way to cater for this variability.

The thermal conductivity of the different rock facies is very important especially in oil and gas exploration. Knowledge of the thermal conductivity and the local geothermal gradient would provide the basis for a proper understanding of the behaviour/response of rocks or facies at a certain depth to geophysical exploration methods. Identification of potential source rocks, predicting the depth at which the source rock would be mature and predicting the properties of hydrocarbon (gas or oil) would be facilitated once the thermal conductivity is known. The viscosity, in the reservoir would also be possible if the thermal conductivity values were known. The thermal conductivity of rocks provides also an indication of the pressure, temperature and to some extent the volume of the fluid in the subsurface. Therefore, the thermal conductivity of different rock facies in Belait Formation could be of significant value in oil and gas exploration.

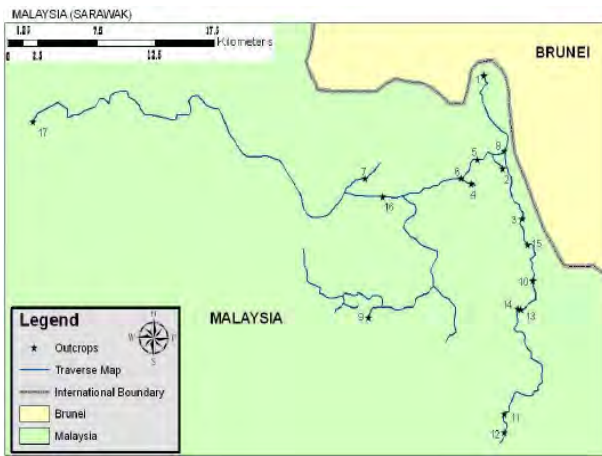


Figure 1: Map showing location of sampling points near Marudi, Sarawak.

Thermal conductivity of a rock is a function of the mineralogy, fabric/structure and conductivity mechanism of a specific rock (Clauser & Huenges, 1995). In sedimentary rocks, the paramount factors that would influence the thermal conductivity are porosity and anisotropy. Higher porosity causes lower thermal conductivity. This is attributed to lower thermal conductivity of air and other fluids like water and hydrocarbon that infill the pores of rock compared to the minerals. Consequently, a range of values have been reported (Birch 1966; Čermák & Rybach 1982; Haenel *et al.* 1988; Clauser & Huenges 1995; Clauser 2006).

Many methods have been developed to estimate the effective thermal conductivity of unsaturated porous rocks (Woodside & Messmer, 1961, Cosenza *et al.*, 2003; Kohout *et al.*, 2004, Gruescu *et al.*, 2007; and Giraud *et al.*, 2007). These models suffer from some weaknesses such as the general inability to establish relationships between electrical parameters and the effective thermal conductivity of the porous material.

Therefore, the general objective of this study was to estimate the thermal conductivities of rocks belonging to the Belait Formation. These estimates need to be evaluated to establish any possible signature trends that might assist in bench marking the Belait Formation.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

The study area is located NE of Marudi, Sarawak (Figure 1). Samples were collected along several outcrops in what has been identified as the Belait Formation. Samples were trimmed down to orthogonal blocks for the thermal conductivity analyses.

Samples were air dried for 1 week before being cut into small orthogonal blocks of dimensions 5 x 2 x 5 cm. Estimation of the thermal conductivity was carried out by constantly supplying heat to the rock sample for 20 minutes using a heater set at 100 W. After 20 minutes, two temperature readings were taken, one on either side

of the sample. Both of the temperatures were taken simultaneously on the rock sample using a thermocouple linked to a data-logger. The differences between the two readings were measured as ΔT . The distances between the positions of the two readings were measured as L . The area, A , of the rock that touches the heater was also measured. The thermal conductivity of the rock sample was calculated by using the formula shown below. As this technique is somewhat cheaper and simpler to utilize compared to traditional methods, some variations in results can be expected.

Thermal conductivity is denoted as k or λ with measurement units of $W\ m^{-1}K^{-1}$ and represents the measure of heat flow per unit temperature gradient. The formula of thermal conductivity k and specific heat c is given below:

$$J_Q = -k\nabla T$$

$$Q = mc\Delta T$$

Based on these two equations, an equation was derived for thermal conductivity as shown below.

$$Q = -k A \frac{\Delta T}{\Delta x}$$

$$k = -\frac{QL}{A\Delta T}$$

- Q = Heat flow across the material
- K = Thermal conductivity of the material
- A = Cross sectional area of the material
- ΔT = Temperature different (t_2-t_1)

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The Belait mainly consists of alternating sandstone and shale with conglomerate deposits as the basal unit. There are five main facies: 1) sandstone, 2) sandstone with clay drapes, 3) sandstone with carbonaceous material, 4) shale, and 5) conglomerate.

The results show that the thermal conductivity for the different facies and lithologies vary (Table 1). Generally, sandstones should have much higher thermal conductivity values compared to shales. One possible reason for this could be the mineralogy. Quartz in sandstones has higher conductivity compared to clay minerals. Thermal conductivity values are around 6.6 - 13 for quartz with mean values of 2.9 for clay minerals. However, since rocks are not homogeneous in terms of mineralogy, other minerals can also influence thermal conductivity. The thermal conductivity of pure sandstone, laminated sandstone- shale, ferruginous sandstone, sandstone with mud drapes and sandstone with mud clasts have different values (Table 1). Porosity and particle size of samples can also influence the thermal conductivity.

Thermal Conductivity versus Porosity

The results suggest that smaller particle sizes and lower porosities give high thermal conductivity values (Figure 2). Thermal conductivity drops steeply with

increasing porosity up until porosity values of around 10%. Subsequently, the thermal conductivity appears to be fairly constant with increasing porosity. Considering the fact that the facies assemblage sequence present in this Formation is not generally seen in Lambir Formation or any stratigraphic time equivalent Formations in the vicinity, it is proposed that the trend line that approximates the distribution of the data could be a possible signature for the Belait Formation. More work needs to be done in order to verify if it is possible to separate this Formation from other Formations based on thermal conductivity.

The results may also provide an indication on type of overburden pressure experienced by these rocks. Variations in the thermal conductivity within a group of sandstones, siltstones or shales can also be explained by a possible reduction in porosity due to increase in overburden pressure and therefore, an increase in thermal conductivity. In general terms, it has been noted that the thermal conductivity of rocks in the Malay Basin increase with increasing burial depth (Wan Ismail Wan Yusoff, 1984).

Thermal conductivity versus particle size

Similar trends were observed when thermal conductivity was evaluated against porosity (Fig. 3).

The thermal conductivity drops steeply between clay to silt size (0 - 0.05 mm). This reaffirms the current knowledge that argillaceous materials have high thermal conductivities. Wan Ismail Wan Yusoff (1988) made similar observations working with Late Miocene shales from the Malay Basin. Subsequent to the initial steep decrease, thermal conductivity decreases at a much slower rate until particle size approaches that of very fine sand (0.15 mm). The thermal conductivity remains fairly constant when the particle size is larger than very fine grain sand (> 0.15mm). The data shows that clay, silt and sand tend to have different ranges of thermal conductivities.

These findings suggest that two rocks with same textural classification and porosities would have similar thermal conductivities. However, variations at the facies or subfacies level will change the thermal conductivity. Therefore, two rocks with the same thermal conductivity need not have the same internal fabric.

CONCLUSIONS

There is an inverse relationship between the thermal conductivity and petrophysical properties such as porosity and particle size. Sedimentary rocks of the Belait Formation tend to have thermal conductivity values that are controlled by internal fabric as the Formation has

Table 1: Thermal conductivity values for some of the sandstones and shales from the Belait Formation.

Sample No.	Temp Different (T1- T2)	Length (m)	Area (m ²)	Thermal Conductivity (W m ⁻¹ k ⁻¹)	Particle Size (mm)	Estimated Porosity (%)
1	-43.2	0.011	0.0006	1.762752715	0.3500	25
2	-0.9	0.027	0.0012	207.6843198	0.0020	1
3	-41.8	0.039	0.0025	6.459081717	0.2500	15
5	-38.3	0.031	0.0023	5.603319334	0.0020	2
6	-11.6	0.022	0.0031	13.1294685	0.4000	20
9	-44.9	0.024	0.0014	3.700388772	0.0030	3
10	-11.6	0.014	0.0017	8.355116315	0.0035	4
13	-4.2	0.013	0.0020	21.42774728	0.0030	2
21	-26.5	0.005	0.0005	1.306190691	0.2000	25
23	-30.5	0.026	0.0014	5.901412367	0.0060	22
24	-27.5	0.018	0.0014	4.531294251	0.0030	2
26	-15.5	0.014	0.0005	6.252861242	0.0030	2
27	-21.9	0.02	0.0018	6.322201517	0.1700	23
35	-24.4	0.016	0.0019	34.76870122	0.0950	18
37	-9	0.01	0.0008	7.692011846	0.0800	20
39	-20	0.016	0.0010	78.81773399	0.4000	30
43	-8.2	0.033	0.0036	27.86009169	0.0700	15
44	-41.9	0.021	0.0016	3.469666441	0.0030	1.5
45	-21.2	0.031	0.0023	10.12297785	0.0035	2.5
46	-46.3	0.023	0.0017	3.438977218	0.0030	2
47	-16.8	0.018	0.0012	90.95318943	0.3000	20
49	-29.4	0.02	0.0010	69.41552131	0.0630	10
53	-9.4	0.005	0.0009	61.77873329	0.0030	2
55	-8.8	0.013	0.0010	152.6108189	0.0037	2
59	-22.2	0.014	0.0008	77.47305045	0.0850	15
63	-21.6	0.013	0.0026	23.14814815	0.0700	10
66	-32.8	0.041	0.0039	8.653513326	0.0630	10
72	-22.8	0.017	0.0022	5.161744791	0.004	8
79	-16.7	0.009	0.0017	32.07869974	0.063	5
82	-18.9	0.022	0.0011	110.8591585	0.2300	18

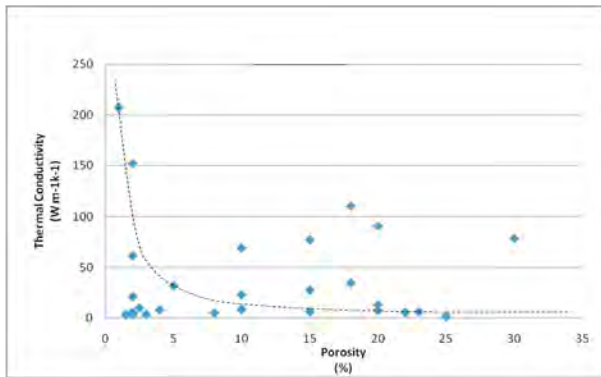


Figure 2: Graph showing the relationship between thermal conductivity and rock porosity. A best fit line shows a steep decrease in thermal conductivity until a porosity of about 5%.

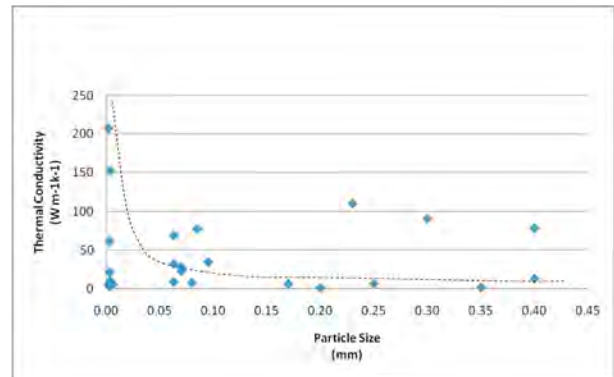


Figure 3: Graph showing the relationship between thermal conductivity and the particle size of. A best fit line shows three trends coinciding with three different particle size ranges.

several facies and subfacies. Taking into considering the fact that the facies assemblage present in this Formation is not generally seen in Lambir Formation or any stratigraphic time equivalent Formations in the vicinity, it is proposed that the trend line that approximates the distribution of the data could be a possible signature for the Belait Formation. This proposal is preliminary and the ongoing research is aimed at verifying this proposal. Such variations are also important for basin modeling as well as reservoir characterization.

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LETTER TO EDITOR

The Northwest Sabah trough is currently inactive

Comment on Two Recent Articles in Geological Society of Malaysia Publications

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Two recent articles by Mustaffa Kamal Shuib (2009) and Kessler (2009) in the Bulletin No. 55 and Warta Geologi Volume 35 (3) reproduced two separate figures attributed to Simons et al. 2007. The “Northwest Borneo Trench” is shown to possess active reverse faulting on its Sabah side. When the digital internet article of Simons et al. became available, in early 2008*, I wrote an email to the primary author noting that seismic sections of BGR (Bundesanstalt fuer Geowissenschaften und Rohstoffe, Hannover, Germany) across the “trench” do not show any disturbance for the essentially horizontal reflectors in the top most 0.6 second TWT of the “trench” fill. This is especially clear on the seismic line BGR86-06 (a copy is in the Petronas data archive). Furthermore, geoseismic sections across the NW Sabah Trough published by Hazebroek & Tan (1993, pp. 203-204) show similar undisturbed conditions of the upper trough-fill sequence.

The undisturbed top 0.6 s TWT sediment sequence on the Sabah side of the trough is estimated to represent “Pliocene to Recent” (basing on dated seismic sections published by Levell & Kasumajaya, 1985) and suggests strongly that no crustal movement had occurred during that period on the Sabah side of the trough. It is unlikely that movement had occurred since the seismic sections were shot in the early 1980s. Moreover, Simons et al. (and Kessler) tie up of the “NW Borneo Trench” with the West Baram Line is not supported by seismicity. The epicenter of an MW 5.2 earthquake on 1 May 2004 did occur and is consistent with left slip on the Tubau Wrench

fault, striking N-S and located more than 60 kilometres to the southwest of the West Baram Line (see Yan, A.S.W. Saim Suratman, Adam Liau et al. 2006).

* *The email to W. Simons at Delft, The Netherlands, has yet to be replied to.*

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How active are Sabah Trough and Baram Line?

A comment on a letter by H.D.Tija, sent to the Geological Society of Malaysia

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Although the larger parts of the “Northwest Borneo Trench” are indeed seismically inactive, as rightfully stated by H.D.Tija in his letter, there are certain areas (such as the “allochthonous sheet”) that may have seen activity up to the late Pliocene – the picture below being a 2008 model, based on Shell seismic.

The exact location, and width of the Baram Line have been a matter of debate. In Simons *et al.* (2007), some evidence for tectonic activity in the area of the Baram Line is presented. Though the MW 5.2 earthquake of 1 May 2004 may not be in itself conclusive, or even directly related to the Baram Line, the differential relative speed of GPS-based block movements (between areas of Sabah (Kota Kinabalu) and Sarawak (Bintulu), for instance) speaks a stronger language.

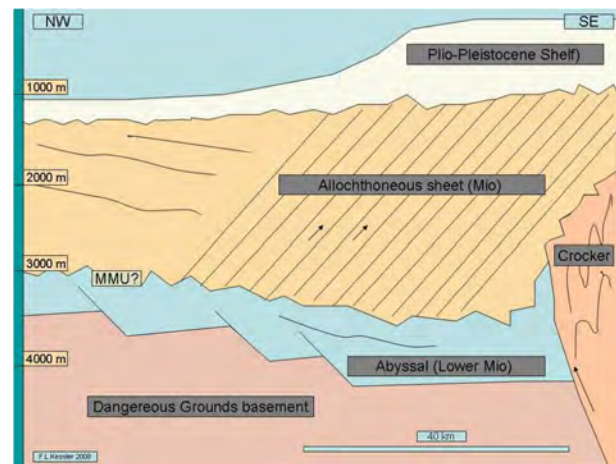
Somewhere between KK and Bintulu, contemporaneous compression and/or strike slip movements in the order of 1-3 mm/year have to be inferred.

With evidence that the axis of Baram Delta oilfields immediately East to the Baram Line have been bent from NE/SW to NW/SE (again Pliocene, possibly younger)- see Tan *et al.* (1999) - this phenomenon occurring near to the edge of the “Northwest Borneo Trench” -could be seen as further circumstantial evidence for young tectonic activity along the SW edge of the “Northwest Borneo Trench”, the so-called Baram Line.

In a nutshell, the “Northwest Borneo Trench” is predominantly inactive, but the SW boundary, the Baram Line, could be active.

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<p>12:20 – 12:45 pm</p>	<p>Geophysics Paper 3 3D Seismic Acquisition for HP-HT Exploration of Block PM303: Technical and HSE issues. Patrick Ravaut, Jafliis Jaafar and Emilie Renoux (Total)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 3 Fitting Sumandak Stratigraphy into Sabah Regional Chronostratigraphic Framework Tengku Mohd Syazwan bin Tengku Hassan, Hamzah Bin Harun and Othman Ali Bin Mahmud (PCSB)</p>
<p>1:00 – 2:00 pm</p>	<p>LUNCH (sponsored by Mubadala Oil and Gas) Conference Halls 2 and 3</p>	
	<p>GEOPHYSICS Session 3 Conference Hall 1 Theme: Processing and Imaging Session Chairmen: Joseph Koh (Schlumberger) and Cheikh Ahmed Ould Ahmed Benan (TOTAL)</p>	<p>GEOLOGY Session 4 Banquet Hall Theme: Reservoir Characterisation and Modelling Session Chairmen: Mark Sams (Fugro-Jason) and Stephen Reeve (Halliburton)</p>
<p>2:00-2:25 pm</p>	<p>Geophysics Paper 4 Unmasking the Crest, Imaging below Shallow Gas Using Prestack Q Depth Migration, Irong Barat Field, Malaysia Joseph Reilly, Raffaella Montelli Muhammad Firdaus Mohd Fuad, Lee Wamsteeker, and George McKinley (ExxonMobil)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 4 Updating Reservoir Models; Auditing, Updating and Rebuilding Stephen Tyson (UNSW)</p>
<p>2:25 – 2:50 pm</p>	<p>Geophysics Paper 5 The Importance of Including Overburden and Survey Illumination Effects in Reservoir Seismic Simulation Åsmund Drottning, Isabelle Lecomte and Mike Branston (NORSAR)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 5 Contrasting Dolomite Textures of Miocene Carbonate Platforms in Central Luconia, Sarawak, Malaysia Rulliyansyah and Bernard J. Pierson (UTP)</p>
<p>2:50 – 3:15 pm</p>	<p>Geophysics Paper 6 3-D Tomographic Q Inversion for Compensating Attenuation Anomalies Kefeng Xin and Barry Hung (CGGVeritas)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 6 Fractured Basement Characterization From Multi-Attributes Guided Integrated Continuous Fracture Modeling And Discrete Fracture Network Modeling M. Lefranc, A. Carrilat and A. Carnegie (Schlumberger)</p>

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3:15 – 3:40 pm	<p>Geophysics Paper 7 Removing Non-Stationary Artifacts from Seismic Velocity Data Sets by M-Factorial Kriging Cedric Magneron (Estimages), Jacques Deraisme and Matthieu Bourges (Geovariances)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 7 Spatial Variability In The Belait Formation: Impact On Reservoir Characterization And Management Considerations. E. Padmanabhan (Curtin)</p>
3:40 – 4:00 pm	<p>TEA BREAK (sponsored by Murphy) Exhibition Hall Foyer at Level 3</p>	
	<p>GEOPHYSICS Session 5 Conference Hall 1 Theme: Seismic Interpretation Session Chairmen: Rosly Md Nor (PCSB) and Tony Weatherall (CGGVeritas)</p>	<p>GEOLOGY Session 6 Banquet Hall Theme: New Play Type Session Chairmen: Robert Wong Hin Fatt (PETRONAS) and Lawrence Bernstein (Talisman)</p>
4:00 – 4:25 pm	<p>Geophysics Paper 8 Integrating Geophysical Technologies for 4D Seismic Pressure-Saturation Analysis in Angsi Field Shuhadah Basaharudin, Salbiah M Sahad, Haziqah Othman, Salbiah Isa, Dr MK Sengupta and M Firdaus A Halim (PRSB)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 8 In the Quest of Open Fractures in the Crystalline Basement of the Malay and Penyu Basins H.D. Tjia (Orogenic), Zuhaini Mohamed, Ariffin Suhaidi Mat Saad, Ahmad Ridhwan Abd Rahim, Jusmila Baharom (EnergyQuest), Mazlan Md Tahir, Shahril Jamil, Nurul Fizziyana Ismail and Azani Abdul Manaf (PMU)</p>
4:25 – 4:50 pm	<p>Geophysics Paper 9 Linapacan Limestone Fracture – Illuminated through Seismic, A case study J.P. Micu, J.B. Barajas (Pitkin), V.W.T. Kong, Pang Ching Mei (Schlumberger)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 9 Delineation Of Stratigraphic Prospect From The Integrated Analysis Of Geological Model, Well And 3d Seismic Attributes – A Case History From Temana Field, Sarawak, Malaysia. Amit Roy, M Al-Amin B Abd Mutalib, Ravi Kant Pathak (PCSB)</p>
4:50 – 5:15 pm	<p>Geophysics Paper 10 CSEM Survey in Deepwater Sarawak: Challenge and Learning Continues Nurul Saadah, Sandeep K. Chandola, Fatma Nazihah, Lee Poh Kin, Tayallen (PCSB), Lim Toon Hoong, Lars Lorenz, Syarina Azura Mohamad and Tan Kian Wei (EMGS)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 10 Occurrence of Hydrodynamic Play in Malaysia Robert Wong, Azani Manaf, Meor Syazwan Meor M Aiyub, Mohd Irwani Sadi, Mohd Farizanudin Jaapar and Nuraman Nusrul (PMU)</p>
6:00 pm	<p>ICEBREAKER (sponsored by PGS) Exhibition Hall Foyer at Level 3</p>	

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DAY-2: Tuesday 30th March 2010

	<p>GEOPHYSICS Session 7 Conference Hall 1</p> <p>Theme: Geophysical Acquisition, Processing and Imaging</p> <p>Session Chairmen: A Manaf Mohammad (PETRONAS) and Ahmad Ridzuan Mohd Tahir (UZMA Berhad)</p>	<p>GEOLOGY Session 8 Banquet Hall</p> <p>Theme: Exploration Case Study</p> <p>Session Chairmen: John Jong Tiang Shen (Nippon Oil)</p>
8:30 – 8:55 am	<p>Geophysics Paper 11 MAZ Depth-Velocity Modelling and Imaging With Azimuthal Anisotropy S.Birdus (CGG Veritas), E.Angerer, I.Abassi (OMV) and K.Shamis(CGG Veritas)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 11 Successful Application of Real-Time Pore Pressure and Fracture Gradient Modeling in Deepwater Exploration Wells Don S. Basuki (Baker-Hughes)</p>
8:55 – 9:20 am	<p>Geophysics Paper 12 Seismic Data Conditioning of Partial Stacks Efthymiou, H. Morris, P. Wild and M.Kemper (Ikon Science)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 12 Fractured Basement Exploration Case Study in Malay Basin Mohamad B Kadir (PCSB)</p>
9:20 – 9:45 am	<p>Geophysics Paper 13 An Interpretation of Gravity and Magnetic Data for Hydrocarbon Exploration in the Sirt Basin (Central North of Libya) Ahmed. S. Saheel, Abdul Rahim Bin Samsudin and Umar bin Hamzah (UKM)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 13 Continued Success in a High Subsurface Risk Environment; the Cendor Story C.Y. McCants, Hanif Hashim, Gary Leaf, Wan Nawawi, and Natasya Pawanteh (Petrofac)</p>
9:45 – 10:10 am	<p>Geophysics Paper 14 Coil Shooting – Full Azimuth acquisition with a Single Towed Streamer Vessel Michelle Tham (Western GECO)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 14 The Penyu Basin Revisited: The Abandoned ‘Mate’ of the Malay-Natuna Basin Restrepo-Pace, P., King, S., Jones, R., Goulder, C., Ah Chim, Y. and Russell, C. (Lundin)</p>
10:15 – 10:45 am	<p>COFFEE BREAK (sponsored by TOTAL) Exhibition Hall Foyer at Level 3</p>	

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<p>10:45 – 11:15 am</p>	<p>Key Paper 2: Banquet Hall</p> <p>Rapidly integrate R&D into the mainstream workflow and bring software closer to operations through an open software framework. Stephen Warner, Geoscience Business Manager Middle East and Asia, Schlumberger Information Solutions</p>	
	<p>GEOPHYSICS Session 9 Conference Hall 1</p> <p>Theme: Seismic Interpretation</p> <p>Session Chairmen: Jamlus Md Yasin (PCSB) and Mr. Robert Dean (PGS)</p>	<p>GEOLOGY Session 10 Banquet Hall</p> <p>Theme: Reservoir Characterisation and Modelling</p> <p>Session Chairmen: Nicolas Bianchi (Beicip-Franlab) and Gavin Lindsay (Baker-Hughes)</p>
<p>11:15 – 11:40 am</p>	<p>Geophysics Paper 15 The Role of Elastic Rock Properties Conditioning for Quantitative Interpretation of Seismic Amplitudes in the Sarawak Basin, Malaysia. Noreehan Bt Shahud (presenter), Yeshpal Singh and Nurhakimah Mohamud (PCSB)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 15 Construction of Static Model for Structural Complex Area in Deep Water Environment Setiyo Pamungkas (PCSB)</p>
<p>11:40 – 12:05 pm</p>	<p>Geophysics Paper 16 Application of Spectral Decomposition and Inversion to Understand the Structural Development of Thrust Belts Mirza Naseer Ahmad (LMKR), Shamim Haider and Ramly B Manja (Carigali)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 16 Quantitative Integration of Geology and Geophysics for Reservoir Modelling: A Case Study. Mark Sams (Fugro-Jason), Ian Millar, Wawan Satriawan (Premier Oil Vietnam), Denis Saussus and Sumon Bhattacharyya (Fugro-Jason)</p>
<p>12:05 – 12:30 pm</p>	<p>Geophysics Paper 17 Increasing the Accuracy of Depth Conversion using Hybrid Velocity Modelling: Case Study at South East of Malay Basin M Hafizal Zahir, Ang Chin Tee, Salbiah M Sahad, Nor Azhar Ibrahim, Boshara M Arshin and M Faizal Rahim (PRSB)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 17 Closing-the-Loop between Reservoir Models and Seismic Gains through the Pains Timothy Barker, Ngu Chee Kiong, Simon McMahon, Norasyikin Mahmud, Ti Ooi Chin, and Ting Tai Ming (Shell)</p>
<p>12:30 – 12:55 pm</p>	<p>Geophysics Paper 18 Hydrocarbon Exploration in a Tertiary Stratigraphy of the Offshore, Nile Delta Basin, Egypt Mohamed Ibrahim (PICL), Gamal R. Gaafar (PETRONAS), Eslam Esmail, and Ayman Hassan (PICL)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 18 Successful Application of Thin Bed Petrophysical Evaluation Workflow in Deep-Water Turbidite Environment: Case Studies from Fields Offshore Malaysia. Budi Priyatno Kantaatmadja, Azizul Mah Hassan (PMU), Mohd Nor Hisham Mohd Azam, Mohd Abd Rasheed Mohd Abdul Rahman and Richard Leech (Schlumberger)</p>
<p>1:00 – 2:00 pm</p>	<p>Lunch (sponsored by Shell) Conference Halls 2 and 3</p>	

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	<p>GEOPHYSICS Session 11 Conference Hall 1 Theme: Seismic Interpretation Session Chairmen: Muhamad Pedro J. Barbeito (TechnoRada) and Hoh Swee Chee (Murphy)</p>	<p>GEOLOGY Session 12 Banquet Hall Theme: Exploration Case Study Session Chairmen: Paul Carroll (BHP Billiton) and Hanif Hashim (Petrofac)</p>
2:00 – 2:25 pm	<p>Geophysics Paper 19 Identification And Modelling Of Karst Features In A Carbonate Field, Sarawak Basin Malaysia Liew Wei Long, Nguyen Huu Nghi, Goh Sing Thu and Rahim Masoudi (PMU)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 19 Geological Modeling of Complex Fluvial lacustrine System, case study from Oil Field Central Muglad Basin – Sudan Ahmed Ziada and Musa'b Elmahi (GNPOC and Sudapet)</p>
2:25 – 2:50 pm	<p>Geophysics Paper 20 The Roles of Coal in Hydrocarbon Exploration in the Malay Basin: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly Deva Ghosh, Samsudin Jirim, Salbiah Isa (PRSB) and Peter Abolins (PCSB)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 20 Deepwater Thin-Bed Depositional Settings : A Geological Framework From Nw Sabah Debnath Basu, Francis Kalukal (Schlumberger), M Farid B M Pushiri and Goh Sing Thu (PMU)</p>
2:50 – 3:15 pm	<p>Geophysics Paper 21 Over-Under Deghosting Bruno Gratacos (CGG Veritas)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 21 The Major Trends Of Palynomorphs Distribution In Three Fluvial Systems, Peninsular Malaysia Azmi M Yakzan, Shamsudin Jirin, Sahriza Salwani Md Shah (PRSB) and R.J Morley (PALYNOVA)</p>
3:15 – 3:40pm	<p>Geophysics Paper 22 A Systematic Seismic Approach Toward a Major Gas Discovery of “Subtle” Structural Trap in North Malay Basin Ji Ping, Zuliyana Ibrarim, Norhafizah Mohd (PETRONAS)</p>	<p>Geology Paper 22 Hydraulic Top Seal Failure – The Relationship Between High Pore Pressure and Hydrocarbon Preservation in HP/HT Regions. Richard E. Swarbrick, Stephen A. O'Connor, Richard W. Lahann, Phillip Clegg and David T. Scott (GeoPressure)</p>
4:00 – 5:00 pm	<p>Closing Ceremony Banquet Hall</p>	
5:10 -- 5:30 pm	<p>TEA BREAK (sponsored by Nippon Oil) Exhibition Hall Foyer at Level 3</p>	

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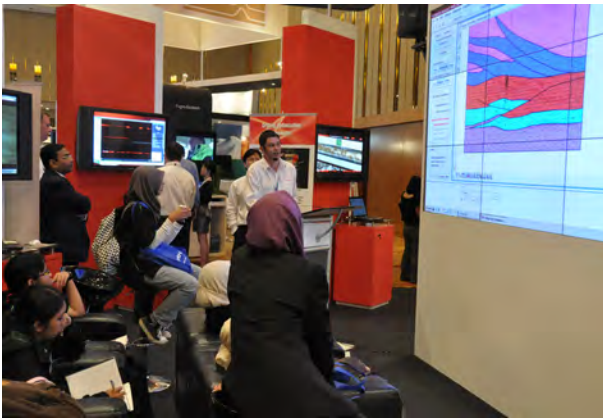
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CHAIRMAN'S LECTURE NO. 15

ENGINEERING GEOLOGY - 3 RECENT (2009) CASE STUDIES

TAN BOON KONG

22nd January 2010

Department of Geology, University of Malaya

Mr. Tan Boon Kong, Chairman of the Working Group on Engineering Geology, Hydrogeology and Environmental Geology delivered the 15th Chairman's Lecture entitled "Engineering Geology - 3 Recent (2009) Case Studies". The lecture was attended by some geologists and geotechnical engineers from the academics, public and corporate sectors.

Mr. Tan, who is a Consultant Engineering Geologist generously shared his findings for the 3 projects he had involved recently. He shared the various factors considered for the option of tunnel or viaduct for a stretch of the proposed Kuala Lumpur Outer Ring Road. He also briefed the audience the soil profile and soil chemistry of the proposed new Kuala Lumpur Low Cost Carrier Terminal. Mr. Tan finally shared some of the results of the engineering geological mapping he had carried out for some of the pinnacles in the Sunway Lagoon Theme Park, Petaling Jaya.



CERAMAH TEKNIK TECHNICAL TALK

Stratigraphic relationship and correlation of the Paleozoic units of Myanmar and Malaysia

PROFESSOR DR AYE KO AUNG

10th February 2010

Program Geologi, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia

A technical talk entitled “Stratigraphic relationship and correlation of the Paleozoic units of Myanmar and Malaysia” had been presented by Prof. Dr Aye Ko Aung (formerly Head of Department of Geology Dagon University, Myanmar) to an audience of around 40 people comprising staff and students from UKM and JMG. The talk was delivered at the Program Geologi, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia on 10 February 2010.

Abstract — The Paleozoic unit of Myanmar is closely correlatable with those from Malaysia in aspects of stratigraphy and paleontology. The Latest Cambrian units of the Ngwe Taung Group of Pyin Oo Lwin District and the Molohein Group of southern Shan State both obtaining a prominent assemblage of sauikiid trilobites which also occurs in the Machinchang Formation of Malaysia. The Ordovician units of Myanmar in each stage is established as, from lower to upper: the Lokeyyin Formation of Arenigian, Wunbye Formation of southern Shan State and “Sitha Formation” of Pyin Oo Lwin township (Llanvirnian-Llandeilian), Nan-on Formation of southern Shan State and Khun Lein Formation of Pyin Oo Lwin township(Caradocian) which are correlatable with the Kakibukit Limestone for the whole Ordovician of Malaysia. The Myanmar Silurian has two formations such as the Nyaungbaw Formation in Pyin Oo Lwin township and the Linwe formation in southern Shan State, both of which yield a variety of species of graptolites which are also recognized in the Silurian unit of Malaysia such as Tanjung Dendang Limestone represented as Lower Detrital Member and Mempelam Limestone (upper Setul Limestone) in Langkawi Island. The Early Devonian sequence of both of Myanmar and Malaysia seems to be the same, consisting of some prominent dacroconarid tentaculites such as Nowakia acuraria and graptolite species, Monograptus uniformis. The correlation of the Early Devonian (Pragian-Emsian) Zebingyi Formation of Pyin Oo Lwin township in Myanmar and the Mahang Formation in northwest Malaysia is indeed interesting on the occurrences of dacroconarid tentaculites and graptolites. In the case of Middle Devonian, there is an extensively covered Middle Devonian unit designated as the Maymyo Formation, consisting of the sequence of dolomitic limestone, shale and coralline limestone which have even been recognized as a biostrome previously well known as the “Padaukpin coral reef” and its contemporary unit the “Wetwin Shale” chiefly composed of black and buff shale in cooperated with gypsum and anhydrite precipitation. This sequence ranges from Middle Devonian (Eifelian) to Late Devonian (Frasnian), the latter only is reported from the Singa Formation of Langkawi Island. There may be some equivalent units of Carboniferous and Permian age of Myanmar and Malaysia, indeed the Myanmar Early Carboniferous (Visean) foraminifera are identical with those of the Kuantan area, east Malaysia such as Eosteffella mosquensis. The Permian of Myanmar is recognized by the presence of coralline limestone consisting of rugose coral species of Pavestehphyllum, Ipciphyllum, Waagenophyllum, Lophophyllidium, Polythecalis, and Yatsengia which give the geological range of Artinskian-Tatarian. The age of the Permian corals is testified by the occurrence of fusulinids (Neoschwagerina-Verbeekina) zone.



Headwater capture and drainage re-organization in Asian river systems traced by isotope provenance methods

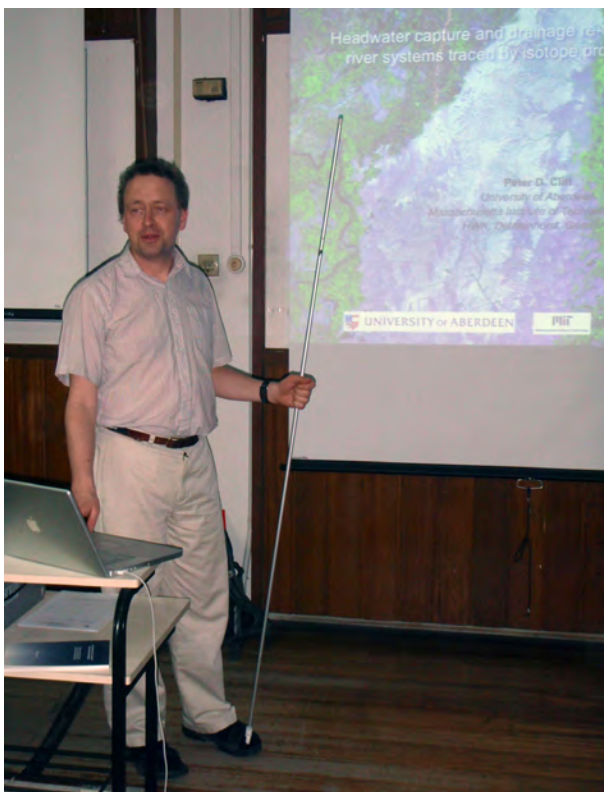
PETER CLIFT

Kilgour Professor in the Department of Geology & Petroleum
Geology, University of Aberdeen, United Kingdom

11th March 2010

Department of Geology, University of Malaya

Abstract—The Indus River was formed immediately following the India-Asia collision and is known to have undergone major re-organization and headwater capture events since that time. In this study we used U-Pb dating of zircon grains and Pb isotopes in K-feldspar grains to see how the river has evolved during the Holocene in response to a strengthening and then weakening monsoon. Our data show that the Sutlej and Beas River used to flow much further SE on the edge of the Thar Desert but switched away to the north into the modern Punjab around 4-5 ka, probably contributing to the collapse of the Indus Valley Civilization. Our data also show that zircon grains take ca. 5 ky to travel from the Himalaya to the Indus delta and that reworking of older sediments in the foreland have dominated the delta sediment budget since ca. 5 ka. U-Pb zircon dating of zircons and Ar-Ar dating of micas in the Red River system shows that the present river has been close to its present state in Vietnam since the Late Miocene, implying surface uplift and drainage capture much earlier, likely starting in the Oligocene in SE Tibet. Ar-Ar ages indicate that the Lo River is the most important net contributor to the modern Red River delta. However, this contrasts with zircon U-Pb data indicating that the upper reaches of the Red River dominate that mineral group. We suggest that the mis-match reflects the rapid transport of mica relative to zircon in the river and the fact that the Red River is not in equilibrium. We hypothesize that the zircons were eroded >8 ka under a regime of stronger monsoon that enhanced erosion in the northern drainage basin, while modern erosion is focused in the south, especially in the Song Chay Massif.”



“Professional Code of Conduct”

DATO' PADUKA IR HJ KEIZRUL ABDULLAH

31st March 2010

Department of Geology, University of Malaya

The talk on “Professional Code of Conduct” was delivered by Dato' Paduka Ir Hj Keizrul Abdullah, Immediate Past President of IEM and formerly Director-General of the Drainage and Irrigation Department, on 31st March 2010 at University of Malaya. The speaker touched on a wide range of topics, beginning with some historical background on the formation of professional bodies, Registration of Engineers Act, regulations on do's and don'ts, penalties for breaches of the Code, legal vs ethical, etc. Several examples were presented as illustrations. Though the talk was based on the scenario for engineers, it is also highly relevant to the case of geologists, especially in view of the recent Registration of Geologists Act. Interesting discussions followed the talk, which was very educational and illuminating, to say the least.

Tan Boon Kong

Chairman, Working Group on Engineering Geology, Hydrogeology & Environmental Geology

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GSM PHOTO COMPETITION

University of Malaya , 25 March 2010

Fifty nine entries were received for the GSM 2009 Photo Competition. Judging was conducted at University of Malaya on 25th March, 2010. Entries were received from professional geologists, educators, students (including a secondary school student), and the general public. Photographs were displayed at PGCE 2010.

JUDGES

Prof. Dr. Harry Doust, University of Malaya and Vrije Universitaet, Netherlands
 Prof. Dr. John Kuna Raj, University of Malaya
 Prof. Dr. Charles S. Hutchison, University of Malaya
 Prof. Dr. Lee Chai Peng, University of Malaya

RESULTS**FIRST PRIZE – RM1000**

Joanes bin Muda (JMG Sabah)
 Stepped Shore Platform
 Steeply dipping sandstone/mudstone beds (Tajau member of Kudat Fm.) eroded by waves.
 Kudat, Sabah
 Canon Ixus 8601s

SECOND PRIZE – RM500

Nur Iskandar Taib (University of Malaya)
 The Grand Old Lady
 Miri #1, Malaysia's first oil well. Photographed in infrared.
 Miri, Sarawak
 Pentax K100D Super, 18-55mm f3.5 lens,
 Hoya R72 filter. ¼ sec. f11,
 40mm, ISO200

THIRD PRIZE – RM300

Chuah Seong Teng (PETRONAS)
 Deepware Icnofacies Spiral Pascichnia
 Trace fossil observed at the base on sand in Crocker Formation, Sabah
 Lok Kawi heights, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah
 Nikon D90

CONSOLATION PRIZE – RM100

Joanes bin Muda (JMG Sabah)
 Active Hotspring Cones
 The hotspring is located within the Tawau Volcanic Complex of Pleiocene-Pleistocene age.
 Sungai Apas Kiri, Tawau, Sabah
 Canon IXUS 8601s

CONSOLATION PRIZE – RM100

Ahmad Farhan b. Salman Farsi (Kolej Sultan Abd. Hamid)
 "Geopark" at Gunung Keriang
 South Western face of Gunung Keriang, showing weathered limestone formation and structure. (The state authority is promoting development of a resort with the geological ambience of the limestone hill.)
 Gunung Keriang, Kedah
 Canon EOS 50D, EFS 17-55mm, 1/250 sec. f6.3, ISO250

CONSOLATION PRIZE – RM100

Khairul Azlan Mustapha (University of Malaya)
 Tight Fold
 Tightly folded slate-quartzite
 Tanjung Kempit, Endau, Johore
 Nikon Coolpix L4

CONSOLATION PRIZE – RM100

Franz L. Kessler (Curtin University, Miri)
 Kelalan Clastics at the Baram River
 Intensely folded deep marine clastics of the Rajang Group
 LONG LAMA, Sarawak
 Panasonic Lumix

CONSOLATION PRIZE – RM100

Khairul Azlan Mustapha (University of Malaya)
 Wave Erosion
 Due to extensively wave erosion on granite surface which form a unique morphology
 Kemaman Beach, Trengganu
 Nikon Coolpix L4



IGCP: 2010 Call for New Project Proposals

THE INTERNATIONAL GEOSCIENCE PROGRAMME (IGCP) - formerly International Geological Correlation Programme - is a joint endeavour between the IUGS (International Union of Geological Sciences) and UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization).

The objectives of IGCP are met through individual projects. The number of active projects in any given year depends on the current priorities of UNESCO and IUGS, the availability of funds, the success and progress of existing projects and the quality and merit of newly submitted proposals.

BACKGROUND: The success of the Programme and individual projects is the result of the dedication of project leaders and the enthusiasm, support, and participation of geoscientists from around the world. Projects often build upon existing activities within participating countries, and attract additional funds from governmental and other agencies.

Project proposers should identify the societal relevance of their work, address the challenge of capacity-building in developing countries, emphasize education and training, including a focus on under-represented groups (e.g. youth, women, ethnic minorities, etc.).

DURATION: IGCP projects are approved for a period not exceeding five years. Individual projects are reviewed annually after the second year and may be terminated if performing poorly as identified during a review.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT: The annual allocation of support for each project depends upon its quality and, for an already funded project, upon its performance during the previous year. The financial support provided annually by IUGS and UNESCO for IGCP projects covers part of the costs of organizing and managing research (not to the research itself), meetings and workshops related to the

project, as well as to facilitate participation by scientists from developing countries. In general, IGCP funds cannot be used for items such as data gathering (e.g., field and laboratory expenses). Moreover, the allocated sum should not be used exclusively to cover the travel expenses of project leaders. These limited funds provide 'seed money' to assist in the acquisition of additional funds from other sources. Past experience indicates that successful IGCP projects are able to secure significant additional funding from other sources. The actual amount of funding provided annually to IGCP projects reflects the collective decisions of UNESCO and IUGS.

EVALUATION: IGCP projects must successfully meet the following criteria:

- focus on high-quality science relevant to the scientific objectives of the IGCP;
- meet a need of international importance and societal relevance;
- emphasize interdisciplinary cooperation;
- constitute international participation including scientists from developing countries;
- demonstrate potential for both long-term and short-term geoscientific and/or societal benefits;
- explicitly acknowledge the sponsorship of UNESCO, IUGS, and IGCP; and,
- promote global geoscience visibility. For example, through the publication of scientific results using internationally recognized journals or other media

UNESCO and IUGS jointly appoint members to the IGCP Scientific Board. Individual IGCP proposals and Annual Reports are assigned to thematically appropriate members of the Scientific Board for initial evaluation of their scientific merit and relevance to IGCP objectives. Select members of the IGCP Scientific Board collectively consider the initial evaluations and prioritize applications for funding.

TOPICS FOR IGCP PROJECT PROPOSALS

IGCP welcomes proposals on the following topics:

- **GEOSCIENCE OF THE WATER CYCLE**

Life on Earth depends on water and its sustainable use is crucial for continued human existence. Earth's water resources include surface/ground water, ocean water, and ice. The study of Earth's water involves understanding and managing both surface and groundwater systems, including sources, contamination, vulnerability and history of water systems.

- **GEOHAZARDS: MITIGATING THE RISKS**

Geohazards include earthquakes, volcanic activity, landslides, tsunamis, floods, meteorite impacts and the health hazards of geologic materials. Geohazards can range from local events such as a debris slide or coastal erosion to events that threaten humankind (e.g., supervolcano eruption or meteorite impact). Earth scientists undertake research to better understand such hazards and contribute to risk reduction.

- **EARTH RESOURCES: SUSTAINING OUR SOCIETY**

Earth resources include minerals, hydrocarbons, geothermal energy, air, and water. The future well-being of society depends on sustainable use of these resources. The environmentally responsible exploitation of these resources is a challenge for geoscience research. The progress of technological development is equally bound to this premise.

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Changes in the Earth's climate and of life on Earth are preserved in the rock record. Ice and dust records, terrestrial and ocean sediments, and sequences of fossil plant and animal assemblages all comprise parts of this record. Life has impacted Earth's atmosphere, oceans, and land surface. Several major extinctions have punctuated Earth's history, associated with dramatic environmental and ecosystem change. Past environmental lessons shed light on present and future challenges.

- **THE DEEP EARTH: HOW IT CONTROLS OUR ENVIRONMENT**

The Earth's surface, including our habitable environment, is a product of, and controlled by deep Earth processes. The study of this environment (ranging from changes in the Earth's magnetic field to plate tectonics) using for example, geophysical and geodynamical techniques, enhances our understanding of the working of System Earth.

- **OTHER TOPICS**

Other relevant topics in fundamental and applied geosciences will also be considered.

The IGCP encourages submission of project proposals in all aspects of the geosciences, provided they meet the requirements outlined above ("Evaluation" part of Section 2 - Operational Policy).

PROJECT PROPOSALS

IGCP project proposals may be submitted by individual scientists or by a group of scientists using the application forms available through the Secretariat office website. The IGCP Scientific Board is ready to advise project leaders, regarding the scientific quality, content, scope, viability, budget and relevance of potential project proposals (e.g., advice regarding the inclusion of other qualified scientists, bridging to other initiatives, outputs, etc.).

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The deadline for submission and receipt of new project proposals to the IGCP Secretariat is 15 October 2010.

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For details go to the website: http://portal.unesco.org/science/en/ev.php-URL_ID=6304&URL_DO=DO_TOPIC&URL_SECTION=201.html

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Career Talk 2010 : A Future with Schlumberger



27th February 2010

Geology Department, University of Malaya

A career talk entitled “A Future with Schlumberger” had been organized by the AAPG Student Chapter University of Malaya on the 27th February 2010 at the Geology Department University of Malaya. The talk started on 8.00am and ended on 2.00pm. Four speakers and a VIP from Schlumberger attended the event. The speakers were Mrs. Rashima Rashli, Miss Michelle Khor, Mr Jim Liang and Mrs. Amis Ahmad and the participated VIP was Mrs Lee Chin Na. The event was also participated by geology students from UM and UKM as well as engineering students from UM and overall 100 students had turned up for the event.

The main objective of this career talk was to expose the students to their future working environment besides enhancing their knowledge about their opportunities in the oil and gas industry. The students were also brief about the job opportunities besides the training and development provided by Schlumberger for their employee. This event too includes a resume and CV hand in session as the students will have the chance to hand in their CV and resume if they were interested in undergoing an internship programme or apply for a job in Schlumberger. An exhibition was also held in the museum to give exposure to the students about Schlumberger.

The talk started 8:45 a.m, where the Head of Department, Dr Azman Abdul Ghani officiating the ceremony with his welcoming speech. He expressed his gratitude to the organizing committees, participants and also thanks the company that sponsoring the event, Schlumberger for their generosity. His speech was followed by a speech from the President of AAPG 2009/2010, Afiqamsyar Jais.

The talk was started off by Mrs. Rashima Rashli and Miss Michelle Khor, which are the geophysicists of Western Geco. The title of their talk was Seismic Imaging and they’ve explained all the work involved in seismic imaging. A question and answer session was opened after they’ve finish their presentation. The Q&A session was then followed by a morning break for both participants and the VIPs.

After the break, the event continued with the second talk by Mr Jim Liang, the Engineer of Schlumberger. His talk focused on the well engineering design and had attracted the interest of the engineering students. A Q& A session was also opened after he ended his presentation. After the Q& A session ended, the participants assembled in the museum for the exhibition and also to hand their CV’s at the Schlumberger booth. A photography session was also held for a short while. During this session, the participants received door gifts from Schlumberger while the speakers and VIP received t-shirts from the organizing committee. The exhibition and CV collection session was then followed by lunch break.

After the lunch break, the talk continued with the final session by Mrs Amis Ahmad, the human resource (HR) officer of Schlumberger. The title of her talk was Training & Development and Job Opportunities. Her talk was also followed by a Q & A session, thus wrapping the event for the day at 2 pm.



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