

## **Workshop "Frontiers in Geobiology" announcement:**

Within the framework of the DFG Research Unit FOR571 "Geobiology" we invite applications to attend the workshop "Frontiers in Geobiology" on 13/14 October 2007 hosted by the Department of Geobiology at the Geoscience Center of the Georg-August-Universität in Göttingen (Germany).

This workshop intends to bring together early career researchers from the fields of geobiology, geomicrobiology, animal and plant paleobiology, biogeochemistry, molecular phylogenetics, phylogenomics, evolutionary developmental biology, et al., to identify and discuss emerging issues in Geobiology, i.e. research at the interface between geo- and biosciences.

Selection of participants will be competitive, but all travel costs, including accommodation and food, will be covered according to German regulations.

Participation is limited to early career researchers, preference will be given to applications from Post-Docs within about 2-4 years after receiving their Ph.D.

Two-page applications (maximum) should be submitted by email (PDF only) to [gert.woerheide@geo.uni-goettingen.de](mailto:gert.woerheide@geo.uni-goettingen.de) until 15. September 2007. The subject line of the email is required to include the keywords "Workshop Frontiers in Geobiology" and the email body should include a brief cover letter of motivation.

Please comply with the following format for your two-page PDF attachment:

- 1) Short CV including a maximum of 5 best career publications (one page)
- 2) Statement of past and present achievements; Perspective for future research

In the latter part you should identify emerging issues in geobiological research and how you would contribute methodologically and intellectually to address these consequential issues of broad significance.

Applications that do not follow the above guidelines will not be considered.

You will be notified by 20. September 2007 about acceptance, and if accepted, you are expected to present your research and concepts during the workshop.

Information about the Department of Geobiology can be found at [http://www.geobiologie.uni-goettingen.de/index\\_e.shtml](http://www.geobiologie.uni-goettingen.de/index_e.shtml)

The University of Göttingen has a strong commitment to the principles of equal opportunity policies and practices and, in that spirit, we strongly invite women to apply. Equally qualified handicapped applicants will be given preference.

We look forward to your participation

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