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THE BARRINGER FAMILY FUND FOR METEORITE IMPACT RESEARCH

The Barringer Crater Company has established a special fund to support fieldwork by eligible students interested in the study of impact cratering processes. The Barringer Family Fund for Meteorite Impact Research will provide a number of competitive grants in the range of $2,500 to $5,000 for support of field research at known or suspected impact sites worldwide. Grant funds may be used assist with travel and subsistence costs, as well as laboratory and computer analysis of research samples and findings. Masters, doctoral and post-doctoral students enrolled in formal university programs are eligible. Application to the fund will be due by 7 April 2017, with notification of grant awards by 9 June 2017. Additional details about the fund and its application process can be found at: http:/www.lpi.usra.edu/science/kring/Awards/Barringer_Fund.

THE 23rd SESSION OF THE PETROLOGY GROUP OF THE MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY OF POLAND: "SUBDUCTION SYSTEMS IN THE SUDETES AND RELATED AREAS"

Participants from the conference visit the ultrahigh-pressure eclogite outcrop in Międzygórze (Poland). Photo: W. Matyszczak

The 23rd Session of the Petrology Group of the Mineralogical Society of Poland was held 20–23 October 2016 in Stara Morawa (Poland). The meeting was devoted to recent studies on the subduction systems in the Sudetes (northeastern Bohemian Massif, Central Europe) and related areas, examining both ancient and current analogues. The aim of the session was to bring together a wide spectrum of Polish petrologists, including senior researchers, early career scientists, graduates and undergraduate students. The meeting was attended by ~80 participants from Poland and abroad. Invited lectures on the Cadomian and Variscan subduction systems in the Bohemian Massif, as well as on high-pressure mineralogy and fluids activity in the high-pressure rocks, were given by Reiner Klemd (GeoZentrum Nordbayern, Germany), Jana Kotková (Czech Geological Survey), Ulf Linnemann (Senckenberg Natural History Collections of Dresden, Germany) and Hans-Joachim Massonne (Universität Stuttgart, Germany).

An integral part of the proceedings was to award students for the best oral and poster presentations. This year, the best oral presentation award went to Iwona Klonowska (Uppsala University, Sweden) for, "Diamond-bearing Gneisses in the Seve Nappe Complex, Scandinavian Caledonides – What is Known about their *P–T–t* Evolution?"; the best poster presentation award went to Marcin Goleń (University of Wrocław, Poland) for, "Prograde Metamorphic History Preserved in Mica Schists from the Kamieniec Metamorphic Belt (Bohemian Massif, Fore-Sudetic Block) based on Quantitative Pressure–Temperature Path from Garnet Zoning". The meeting was also an occasion to commemorate the former President of the Mineralogical Society of Poland, Ryszard Kryza, who passed away in 2016. Kryza's excellent research on the subduction systems in the Sudetes had been highlighted by several speakers. Oral and poster sessions were followed by the field trip that focused on the metamorphic rocks of the Śnieżnik Massif. Animated discussions at the outcrops made the field trip very stimulating.

In conclusion, the 23rd Session of the Petrology Group was a scientific and social success. Official and unofficial parts of the meeting resulted in many fruitful discussions, including plans for future scientific activities. The organizing team led by researchers from the AGH (University of Science and Technology in Kraków, Poland) would like to thank all the participants for this great experience.

We are already looking forward to the 24th Session of the Petrology Group, which in 2017 will be held in the city of Wrocław.

On behalf of the organizing committee,

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