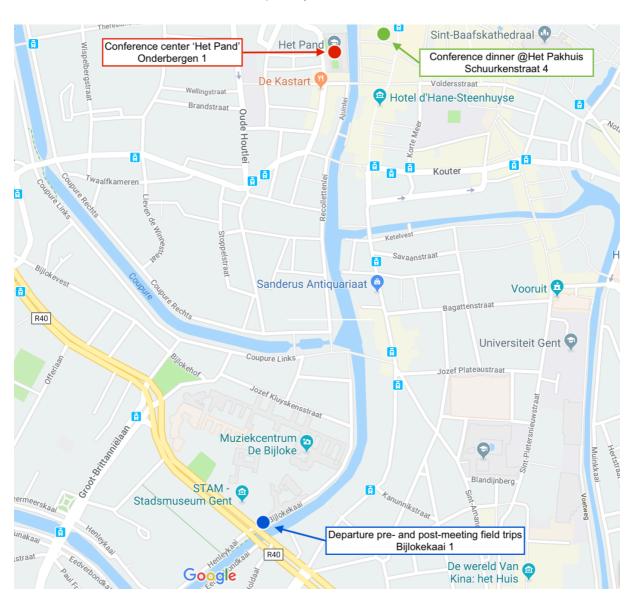
## **PROGRAM SUNDAY JUNE 30**

	Time	Location	
Pre-meeting field trip	07:45	Bijlokekaai 1, 9000 Ghent	Pre-meeting field trip to the Paleozoic and Mesozoic of southern Belgium (departure by bus at 08:00). Attendants of the pre-meeting field trip will be informed personally.
Registration	16:00- 19:00	Het Pand	Early arrivals can already register
Outgoing Board of Directors meeting	19:00	Sacristie (Het Pa	ınd)

## **PROGRAM THURSDAY JULY 4**

	Time	Location	
Post-meeting field trip	07:45	Bijlokekaai 1, 9000 Ghent	2-day post-meeting field trip to the Cretaceous and Jurassic of northern France (departure by bus at 08:00). Attendants of the pre-meeting field trip will be informed personally.



PROGRAM MONDAY JULY 1 (\*: eligible for best student contribution)

	Time	Location	Session	Convenor	Title	Presenter
Registration	08:00	Entrance Pand				
<b>Nelcome</b>	09:00	Vermeylen		Louwye	Welcome - opening meeting	
09:1	09:15				Phanerozoic phytoplankton and the diversification of the marine biosphere	Servais, Thomas
	09:30				End-Permian vegetation collapse marked by "Dead Zone" in the Sydney Basin, Australia	Vajda, Vivi
Talks 1 to 5	09:45	Vermeylen	General Palynology	Mangerud	Triassic palynology of NW Bulgaria: Towards a refined Tethys-Peri-Tethys correlation	Götz, Annette E.
	10:00				Palynostratigraphy of the Triassic-Jurassic transition in the Sichuan Basin, southwestern China	Li, Liqin
10	10:15				Middle Jurassic palaeoenvironmental events in Europe – evidence from palynology and carbon isotopes	*Pultz. Suzanne
	10:30					
Coffee break	10:45	Kloostergang				
	11:00				Palynological aspects of the Upper Jurassic Grès de la Crèche Formation and a comparison with a shoreface complex from the subsurface of the Dutch offshore	Verreussel, Roel M.C.H.
	11:15			, Riding	Dinoflagellate cyst biogeography reveals enhanced Arctic-Tethys connectivity ending the Toarcian Oceanic Anoxic Event in NW Europe	Houben, Alexander J.P.
Talks 6 to 11	11:30	Vermeylen	General		Palynology, source potential and depositional environment of the Cretaceous succession, northeast Baffin Bay, West Greenland	Nøhr-Hansen, Henrik
Taiks 0 to 11	11:45	vermeylen	Palynology		The Early Cretaceous in the Richardson Mountains (Northwest Territories, Canada): palynological insights on the tectono-stratigraphic architecture of the Canadian Arctic mainland	*Ellefson, Emily D.
	12:00				Palynological insights on Cretaceous clastic basins of southern Yukon, Canada	Bell, Kimberley M.
	12:15				Palynology in deep well surveys for Geothermal Energy – some case studies	Lindström, Sofie
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Lunch	13:00	Kloostergang				
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	13:45				Metal-induced malformations in early Palaeozoic plankton are harbingers of mass extinction	*De Backer, Tim
	14:00				Teratology in fossil spores and pollen - A result of chance, a genetic pattern or a result of ecological upheaval?	*Gravendyck, Julia
	14:15				Mis-shapes, mistakes, misfits: aberration & mutations in terrestrial palynomorphs	Lomax, Barry H.
Talks 12 to 18	14:30	5	Teratology	Vandenbroucke & Lindström	Plant mutations induced by toxic metals during the end-Permian extinction	Paterson, Nial W.
	14:45			& Linustroni	Malformed spores and the Frasnian-Famennian Mass Extinction	Marshall, John E.A.
	15:00				New data on aberrant tetrads; implications for palaeoenvironment and past extinction events	Stukins, Stephen
	15:15				Extinction or Resilience? - Fern spore teratology during the end-Triassic mass extinction	Lindström, Sofie
Coffee break	15:30	Kloostergang				
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	16:00				Where do trabeculae originate and locate: Last frontier in studying morphological complexity of skolochorate dinoflagellate cysts	Yow-yuh, Chen
	16:15				A review of the areoligeracean dinoflagellate cyst Cyclonephelium and morphologically similar genera	Riding, Jim B.
	16:30		General		Fungal distributions in Wilcox Group Sediments: biostratigraphic or paleoecologic indicators?	O'Keefe, Jen
Talks 19 to 25	16:45	Vermeylen	Palynology	Jaramillo	Palynofacies and organic geochemical composition of the Palaeogene sediments of the Garo Hills, Meghalaya, India	Raghumani Singh, Yenkhon
	17:00				Palynology of the Late Miocene 'Pontian' and Pliocene Productive Series from outcrop studies in Azerbaijan, western Caspian Sea	Richards, Keith
	17:15				Organic geochemistry and palynomorphs from the Surma Group in Indo-Myanmar Range, Manipur region	Raghumani Singh, Yenkhom
	17:30				Introduction to the 53rd AASP meeting in Baton Rouge	Warny, Sophie
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Icebreaker	18:00	Kapittelzaal				
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PROGRAM TUESDAY JULY 2 (\*: eligible for best student contribution)

	Time	Location	Session	Convenor	Title	Presenter
Start	09:00	Vermeylen				
Talk 1 - Keynote	09:00	Vermeylen	Integr. Palyno	Munsterman	How reliable are dinocysts as a temperature proxy? A case study on <i>Svalbardella cooksoniae</i> and its implication for paleoclimatological studies of the late Paleogene	Sliwinska, Kasia
	09:30				Paleocene-Eocene southern high-latitude warm pools: the Australo-Antarctic Gulf	Frieling, Joost
Talks 2 to 5	09:45	Vermeylen	Integr. Palyno	Munsterman	Oceanographic and vegetation changes across the Palaeocene–Eocene Thermal Maximum in NW Europe and the Arctic	*Mariani, Erica
Taiks 2 to 5	10:00				Paleocene-Eocene terrestrial palynology of the Chicxulub impact crater, IODP 364	*Smith, Vann
	10:15				Depositional setting for Eocene seat earths and related facies of the Gippsland Basin, Australia	Korasidis, Vera A.
Coffee break	10:30 10:45	Kloostergang				
	11:00				Late Eocene Southern Ocean cooling and invigoration of circulation preconditioned Antarctica for full-scale glaciation	Houben, Alexander J.P.
Talks 6 to 9	11:15	Vermevlen	Integr. Palyno	Dubkigor	The value of integrative palynology in enhancing insights on stratigraphy and environmental change: examples from the Neogene Southern North Sea Basin	Munsterman, Dirk K
Talks 6 to 9	11:30	vermeylen	inlegr. Palyno	Dybkjaer	Vegetation prior to and during the development of the East Antarctic Ice Sheet: High resolution palynological insights from Sabrina Coast, East Antarctica	*Duffy, Meghan L.
	11:45				Marine microfossils in tidal freshwater deposits? Assessing the value of microfossils as palaeoecological proxies in estuarine environments, based on a case study of the Middle Holocene Scheldt estuary, N-Belgium.	Storme, Annelies
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Lunch	12:30	Kloostergang				
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Talk 10 - Keynote	13:15	Vermeylen	CIMP	Strother	Laudatio career Jacques Verniers	Wicander, Reid
	13:30				Initial steps in ordering events of the Late Ordovician mass extinction: Chitinozoan contributions to Maquoketa Group holostratigraphy (upper Katian, Wisconsin, USA)	*De Boodt, Charlotte
	13:45				Chitinozoan biostratigraphy of the elusive P. linearis graptolite Biozone in Girvan, Scotland	*Lissens, Cecile- Marie
Talks 11 to 17	14:00	Vermeylen	CIMP	Strother	Early Silurian acritarchs from the Kallholn Formation in central Sweden	*Walasek, Natalia
Taiks IT to IT	14:15				Palynology of the Early Devonian sediments from Bukowa Góra quarry (Holy Cross Mountains, central Poland)	*Kondas, Marcelina
	14:30				A comparison between Early Devonian (Pragian-Emsian) spore assemblages from the Armorican Terrane Assemblage (Spain), northern Gondwana (Saudi Arabia) and southeast Laurussia	Wellman, Charles H.
	14:45				The diversity of the Palaeozoic phytoplankton and its palaeoecological implications	Kroeck, David M.
	15:00				Devonian diversity dynamics of the terrestrial palynofloras of China	*Shen, Zhen
Coffee break	15:15 15:30	Kloostergang				
	15:45				Ongoing investigations of fossil euglenoids show them to be more diverse and more ancient than previously thought	Strother, Paul
	16:00				Paleoecological significance of the fossil euglenid, Moyeria, from the Hirnantian of Saudi Arabia	Strother, Paul
	16:15				Palynology as a tool to assess the potential Carboniferous shale play in the UK: an example from the Bowland Shale Formation and its lateral equivalents	Hennissen, Jan A.I.
Talks 18 to 25	16:30	Vermeylen	CIMP	Wellman	Acritarch Assemblages from the Cottonwood Canyon Formation (Early Mississippian), Wyoming, USA	Pocknall, David T.
	16:45				British Zechstein palynomorphs suggest a wetter late Permian environment	*Gibson, Martha E.
	17:00				Palynostratigraphy and thermal maturity of Cambrian-Ordovician rocks in the Zagros Basin (Southwestern Iran)	*Sorci, Andrea
	17:15				Estimation of the thermal maturity of subsurface Silurian sections in Saudi Arabia based on determination of Palynomorph Darkness Index (PDI)	Clayton, Geoffrey
	17:30				Palynology of the Permo-Carboniferous graben sediments below the eastern Molasse Basin, Austria.	Jäger, Hartmut
END	17:45					

Conference Dinner 19:00 Het Pakhuis

PROGRAM WEDNESDAY JULY 3 (\*: eligible for best student contribution)

	Time	Location	Session	Convenor	Title	Presenter
Start	09:00	Vermeylen	Analytical Palynology			
Гаlk 1 - Keynote	09:00	Vermeylen	Analytical Palynology	Vandenbroucke	Dinoflagellate and dinocyst carbon isotope biogeochemistry: a novel tool for reconstructing dinoflagellate paleoecology and past CO₂ concentrations	Sluijs, Appy
	09:30				Testing the toxic effect of redox-sensitive metals on Palaeozoic palynomorphs through synchrotron XRF elemental mapping, electron microprobe and LA-ICP MS measurements	*De Weirdt, Julie
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alks 2 to 6	10:00	Vermeylen	Analytical Palynology	Vandenbroucke	Core-top calibration and first application of the dinoflagellate cyst based pCO2 barometer	Frieling, Joost
	10:15				Dinoflagellate cyst counts versus DNA metabarcoding: a test case from the Bay of Brest, NW France	Mertens, Kenneth N.
	10:30				Sporopollenin	Versteegh, Gerard J
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	11:15				Methodological assessment of micro-FTIR as a tool for the characterization of macromolecular dinoflagellate cyst compositions and chemotaxonomy	*Meyvisch, Pjotr
alks 7 to 10	11:30	Vermeylen	Analytical Palynology	Mertens	Contributions from micro-FTIR analysis to the macromolecular composition of dinoflagellate cysts and acritarchs	Gurdebeke, Pieter R
	11:45	<b>.,</b>	, y		Impagidinium pallidum morphology and biomolecular characteristics of Quaternary and Holocene cysts from Labrador Sea and Baffin Bay: taxonomic and paleogeographical implications.	Mudie, Peta J.
	12:00				The Peridiniacean lineage and its transition to freshwater environments: the strange case of <i>Peridinium limbatum</i>	McCarthy, Francine M.G.
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	13:45				Last interglacial oceanographic and primary productivity changes in the Santa Barbara Basin, southern California (ODP Hole 893A).	Pospelova, Vera
	14:00				Postdepositional aerobic and anaerobic particulate organic matter degradation succession reflected by dinoflagellate cysts: the Madeira Abyssal Plain revisited	Zonneveld, Karin A.F
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Talks 11 to 17					From bi-polar to regional distribution of modern dinoflagellate cysts, an overview of their biogeography	Marret, Fabienne
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Incoming Board Meeting 18:00 Sacristie

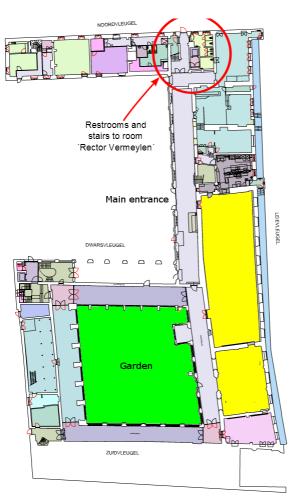
## CONFERENCE POSTERS (\*: eligible for best student contribution)

Title	Presenting author	Co-authors
Evaluating the Shelf-Margin Eocene Coaledo Formation, Oregon: an Integrated Palynology, Geochemistry and Organofacies Study	*Barbato, Allison	Warny, S., Armentrout, J. M. and Demchuk, T. D.
A review of the acritarch genus Saharidia Combaz 1967	Benachour, Houcine B.	Benaslah, M., Gurdebeke, P.R., Kroeck, D.M., Mertens, K.N., Navidi- Izad, N., Raevskaya, E.G. and Servais, T.
Palynological and calcareous nannofossil record from Early Cretaceous (late Barremian–early Aptian) sections of the Galve subbasin (Maestrat Basin, Spain)	Buratti, Nicoletta	Danubio Sousa Lopes, F., Ricciardi, F., García-Penas, A., San Miguel, G., Aurell, M. and Cirilli, S.
The Parvodinium umbonatum puzzle- is there more than one species identified as cysts of P. umbonatum in freshwater lakes?	*Danesh, Donya C.	McCarthy, F.M.G., Krueger, A., Sangiorgi, F. and Cumming, B.F.
Aquatic palynomorphs of the Late Permian Galilee Basin (Australia)	Götz, Annette E.	Wheeler, A. and Esterle, J.S.
Early Devonian animal remains of Bukowa Góra in terms of palynology (Holy Cross Mountains, Poland)	*Kondas, Marcelina	Filipiak, P., Zatoń, M. and Wawrzyniak, Z.
The palynological record of the Late Devonian, global Dasberg Event (Holy Cross Mountains, Poland)	*Kondas, Marcelina	
The rise of flowering plants in high southern latitudes	Korasidis, Vera A.	Wagstaff, B.E.
Morphological variability in acritarch populations from the early Darriwilian (Middle Ordovician) of Öland, Sweden: indicators of sealevel change	Kroeck, David M.	Chaigneau, B., Eriksson, M.E., Lindskog, A., Munnecke, A. and Servais, T.
Ecology and taphonomy of the recent freshwater dinoflagellate Peridinium limbatum: insights from sediment trap and lakebed studies	*McCarthy, Francine M.G.	Krueger, A.M., Danesh, D.C., Mertens, K.N. and Cumming, B.F.
Geochemical and Palynological Analyses of the Witbank and Highveld Coalfields, Karoo Basin, South Africa	*Moutevelis, Peter	Warny, S., Peng, Y. and Götz, A.E.
Palynostratigraphy of Upper Cretaceous Sequences of the Yola Sub-basin, Upper Benue Trough, Nigeria	Musa Bappah, Usman	Brasier, A.T., Jolley, D.W., Abubakar, U. and Mukkafa, S.
Cretaceous climatic reconstruction from Argentina based on palynological data	Pramparo, Mercedes B.	Vento, B., Narvaez, P.L., Mego, N. and Puebla, G.G.
First report of the Miocene palynofloras from Tomellín Formation and Phyllarenite Quiotepec, Oaxaca, Mexico	Ramírez-Arriaga, Elia	León-Carreño, M., Martínez- Hernández, E., Prámparo, M., Martínez-Bernal, A. and Nieto- Samaniego, A.F.
Dinoflagellate marker species of the relic Paratethyan seas: Pannonian to Caspian basins	Richards, Keith	Mudie, P.J., Richards, K., Rochon, A. and Bakrač, K.
Distribution of characteristic microfossils groups in the deposits of the Jurassic and Cretaceous of Ukraine	Shevchuck, Olena	Vajda, V.
Dinoflagellate cyst events across the H1 (ETM-2) and H2 hyperthermal events at the southern edge of the North Sea Basin	*Steeman, Thomas	Stassen, P., Steurbaut, E. and Louwye, S.
Analytical data on the pine pollen wall – the first reported natural nano-foam structure - and comparisons with other natural and synthetic foams	Stukins, Stephen	Cojocaru, R., Mannix, O., Capron, M., Miller, C.G. and Pacureanu, A.
Fungal spores as a palaeovegetation proxy in East Africa	*van der Velden, Daan	Verschueren, D. and Louwye, S.
Palynomorphs, marine invertebrates and citizen science: A multi-proxy study of the early Jurassic recovery at Lyme Regis, UK	*Walley, Rebecca	Twitchett, R., Whiteside, J. and Stukins, S.
The importance of micro-charcoal data from palynological slides: An example of fire intensification linked to aridification on the Tibetan Plateau	Warny, Sophie	Miao, Y., Wu, F., Fang, X., Lu, H., Fu, B., Song, C., Yan, X., Escarguel, G., Yang, Y., Meng, Q. and Shi, P.

## **VENUE INFO AND PLAN**

The conference will take place at 'het Pand', Ghent University's main conference venue, right in the historical city centre of Ghent and housed in a former medieval Dominican monastery. Ghent is an enchanting and vibrant city, which is often referred to as one of the most beautiful historic cities in Europe. From St. Michael's bridge, literally 2 minutes away from the meeting venue, there is a breath-taking view of the skyline of Ghent with the three impressive towers of St. Nicholas' Church, the Belfry with its bell tower and St. Bavo's cathedral, which houses the world-famous painting "The Adoration of the Mystic Lamb" by Jan van Eyck (1426-1432), currently being restored, but open to the public. Traces of the Middle Ages run throughout the city. The old port, with its guild halls on the Graslei and Korenlei, is merely one example of the beautiful sights this town has to offer. Not far from the Graslei arises the Castle of the Counts, once the medieval fortress of the Counts of Flanders.

All of the talks will be given in the room 'Rector Vermeylen' (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)



ground floor with main entrance



second floor with main conference room