



International Workshop on Mesozoic-Palaeogene Hyperthermal Events & Fifth IGCP 739 Workshop

Second Circular

August 16-18, 2025

Nanjing, China

Nanjing University, Xianlin Campus

Website: <https://es.nju.edu.cn/igcp739/main.htm>

01 Invitation

The International Workshop on Mesozoic–Palaeogene Hyperthermal Events & Fifth IGCP 739 Workshop will be held on August 16–18, 2025 at Nanjing University, Jiangsu, China. The workshop is open to anyone from a university, research institute, or industry, and we cordially invite you to participate.

Nanjing is located in eastern China along the Yangtze River, approximately 300 kilometers west of Shanghai. It is the capital of Jiangsu Province. Historically, Nanjing is known as one of China's ancient capitals, serving as "Ancient Capital of the Six Dynasties" and the "Capital of the Ten Dynasties", including the early Ming dynasty and the Republic of China. It is recognized by China as a "national central city" and an "important cultural and historical city" and also designated as a core city for innovation and modernization in eastern China. Nanjing's cultural appeal is evident in its renowned landmarks, such as the Sun Yat-sen Mausoleum, the Confucius Temple, the Nanjing City Wall, and the Ming Xiaoling Mausoleum, which attracts millions of visitors annually and showcases the city's deep historical and architectural legacy.



Nanjing University, founded in 1902, stands among China's oldest and most prestigious institutions of higher education. Nestled in the historic city of Nanjing, it has significantly contributed to China's development throughout its 120-year legacy. As one of the nation's first comprehensive universities, Nanjing University maintains its position at the pinnacle of Chinese academia, consistently ranking among the country's top educational institutions. Guided by its enduring spirit of pioneering innovation, the university has consistently spearheaded educational reforms throughout modern Chinese history. It has achieved groundbreaking advancements across various disciplines, including literature, sociology, astronomy, and earth sciences, establishing pioneering precedents both domestically and globally.

A post-workshop field trip will be organized in conjunction, from August 19–26, in southern Tibet and across the Himalaya. Tibet is located on the Qinghai-Tibet Plateau, often referred to as the "Roof of the World". Historically, Tibet has been a significant cultural and religious hub, known for its unique blend of Tibetan Buddhism and traditional lifestyles and recognized as a "national ecological security barrier" and an "important cultural and historical region". Its cultural and natural appeal is evident in landmarks such as the Potala Palace, Jokhang Temple, Namtso Lake, and Mount Qomulama's northern base camp, which attract millions of visitors annually and highlight Tibet's breathtaking landscapes and profound spiritual legacy.

The UNESCO International Geoscience Programme (IGCP) 739 focuses on the Mesozoic–Paleogene hyperthermal events recorded in the geological record. Notable examples include the Permian–Triassic Boundary Event, Carnian Pluvial Event, Triassic–Jurassic Boundary Event, the Jurassic and Cretaceous Oceanic Anoxic Events, and the Paleocene–Eocene Thermal Maximum. The IGCP 739 project aims to further enhance the international recognition and visibility of hyperthermal events, serving as an exceptional platform for fostering engaging discussions, promoting extensive collaboration, and facilitating new discoveries.

We welcome original findings, reviews, or reports on topics including (but not limited to) fundamental sedimentology, stratigraphy, geochemistry, palaeoclimatology and paleontology, as well as deep-time data assimilation studies and paleoclimate Earth system modelling at regional or global scales.

02 Sponsors

IUGS/UNESCO IGCP 739 Project

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05 Preliminary Scientific Program Schedule

The workshop will include two days of scientific sessions (August 17–18, 2025), and an eight-day post-workshop field excursion to investigate the geology and Mesozoic hyperthermals in the Tibetan Tethys (August 19–26, 2025).

Key Dates and Places:

- August 16, 2025: Registration at Nanjing University Xianlin Campus, Nanjing, Jiangsu.
- August 17–18, 2025: Opening ceremony, scientific sessions. Invited talks, oral presentations and posters will be presented at Nanjing University. A Gala Dinner is planned for the evening of the August 17th.
- August 19–26, 2025: Post-workshop field trip in the Tibet, China

06 Expected topic sessions and Abstract

Four topical sessions on the Mesozoic–Palaeogene hyperthermal events will be organized.

- S1 Long-term climatic and environmental changes in a greenhouse world
- S2 Climate and Environmental changes during hyperthermal events
- S3 Biotic and carbonate platform responses to hyperthermal events
- S4 Carbon cycling and triggers for hyperthermal events

Please prepare abstracts using the attached template. Once ready, please fill in the online form to register (<https://forms.office.com/r/JXq2QBTACH?origin=lprLink>), **The deadline is May 31 2025.** (Main contents of the online form: Submission of Abstracts, Accommodation booking, visa invitation letter information, etc.)

07 Registration information

The workshop registration fee covers the formal registration, the abstract volume, handouts, the gala dinner, coffee breaks, and lunch and dinner (including the dinner on the August 16th) during the workshop. **Please note that it does not include hotel room costs.**

Registration Plans-Price Table for Workshop		
Early Payment: Before May 31	Late Payment: After July 01	Onsite: August 16
Professional: 270 USD/2,000 CNY	Professional: 320 USD/2,300 CNY	Professional: 370 USD/2,700 CNY
Students: 170 USD/1,200 CNY	Students: 220 USD/1,600 CNY	Students: 270 USD/2,000 CNY

◇ For Oversea Participants:

Foreigners can pay the registration fee in US dollars by transferring money to following bank account.

Please provide your full name followed by “IGCP739” when you pay the registration fee.

Bank Name: Bank of China Nanjing Xianlin Sub-Branch

Bank Address: No. 2-1 Maomin Road, Qixia District, Nanjing, 210033, Jiangsu, China

Account Holder Name: JINGXIN JIANG

Account Holder Address: No.163 Xianlin Road, Qixia District, Nanjing, 210023, China

Account No.:6217856100096062424

Swift Code: BKCHCNBJ940

◇ For Chinese Participants (中国境内请点击链接或微信扫描二维码进行缴费)

Please click the link or scan the QR code with WeChat to make the payment within China.

(<https://njupay.nju.edu.cn/xysf/bmface.do?rid=7373386643553438744735513036716a3244495077673d3d&type=0>).

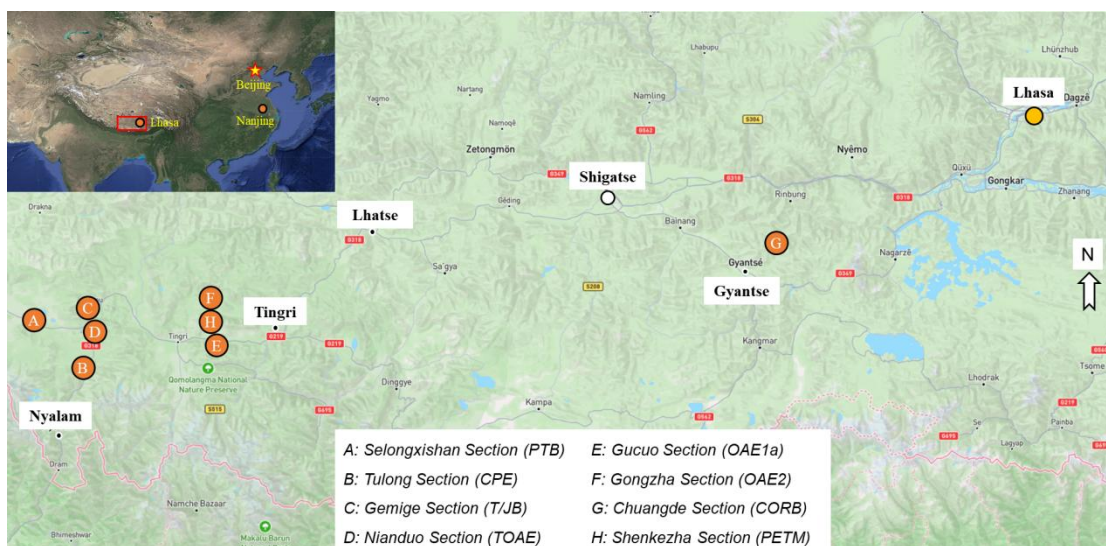


◇ For Participants from Nanjing University (校内人员)

Please fill in the university's fund transfer ticket, and submit the third coupon of the ticket to the conference staff after financial review, with the project code of 0206182001 as the recipient unit. 南京大学本科师生参会代表需填制校内经费转账单, 将办理财务转账审核后的第三联单据送交会务处, 收款单位项目代号为 0206182001。

08 Post-workshop field trip

The preliminary plan for the field excursion is to view the regional geology in the Tibetan Himalaya, and especially the records of hyperthermals events preserved there. The field excursion aims to visit sections that record: 1) the Permian–Triassic Boundary Event (Selongxishan section), 2) the Carnian Pluvial Event (Tulong section), 3) the Triassic–Jurassic Boundary Event (Gemige Section), 4) the Toarcian Oceanic Anoxic Event (Nianduo section), 5) Cretaceous Oceanic Red Beds (Chuangde section), 6) Oceanic Anoxic Events 1a and 2 (Gucuo and Gongzha sections), and 7) the Paleocene–Eocene Thermal Maximum (Shenkezha section).



➤ Schedule of Field Trip

- August 19, 2025: Travel from Nanjing (Lukou International Airport) to Lhasa (Gonggar Airport).
- August 20, 2025: Rest and acclimate to the high-altitude environment in Lhasa (~3700 meters).
- August 21–25, 2025: Field visits and study of classic geological sections related to the Mesozoic hyperthermal events in southern Tibet (Xigaze-Tingri-Nyalm region (~ 4000–5000 m), close to Mt.

Qomulama—commonly referred to in English as Mt. Everest).

- August 26, 2025: City tour in Lhasa and/or departure from Tibet. Participants can return from Lhasa back to Nanjing, or fly to major airports such as Chengdu, Chongqing, Xi'an, Beijing and Shanghai to connect to international flights.

➤ Fees of Field trip

The field trip fee covers all expenses incurred during the trip, including **one-way airfare from Nanjing to Lhasa, Tibet**, all meals, accommodation, car rental, and the local Tibetan guide fee. Please note that the trip will end in Lhasa on August 26th after the field activities. **Participants will need to arrange and purchase their own return flights from Tibet to Chengdu, Chongqing, Xi'an, Beijing, or Shanghai for their onward connections. Please feel free to contact the conference secretariat for return flight booking assistance.**

Registration Plans-Price Table for Field Trip	
Early Payment-before July 20	Late Payment-After July 20
Professional: 1,200 USD/9,000 CNY	Professional: 1,350 USD/10,000 CNY

Scholars interested in participating are encouraged to fill in the online form (<https://forms.office.com/r/JXq2QBTACH?origin=lprLink>) to confirm their attendance, the deadline is May 31, 2025.

If the total number of participants **is fewer than 6, the field trip will be canceled**, and all participants will be notified by **July 05, 2025**. Considering that refunds can be complicated and may incur bank fees resulting in significant financial loss if the field trip is canceled, participants who confirm their attendance at different times should complete payment according to the fee schedule provided in the table below by **July 20, 2025**.

✧ For Oversea Participants:

Oversea participants can pay the registration fee in US dollars by transferring money to following

bank account. Please provide your full name followed by “**IGCP739 Field trip**” when you pay the field trip fee.

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➤ Cancellations and Changes

All cancellations must be confirmed in writing by sending an email to zhushang@nju.edu.cn. This

cancellation policy applies to both the registration fee and any accommodation booked at Nanjing University International Conference Center.

Cancellation of registration will be subject to the following cancellation charges (overseas payments are subject to the deduction of a handling fee):

- ✧ Full refunds are available up to May 31, 2025;
- ✧ 50% refunds are available between June 1-July 30, 2025;
- ✧ No refunds will be given for any cancellations made on or after the July 30, 2025. Substitutions of delegates will be permitted and all name changes must be emailed to zhushang@nju.edu.cn.

09 Financial support

With funds from the IGCP739 project and Chinese grants, the organizers of the workshop will help to partially cover costs (such as travel, registration and accommodation fees) of **students, female scholars, young scholars (less than 40 years old), and scholars from developing countries**. We have **limited grants** available, with **financial support of up to 1000 USD per person**. If you are interested in applying for this grant, please send **your research topic, a brief CV, and your submitted abstract** to Dr. **Jingxin JIANG** (jjxcug24@163.com). The **deadline** for grant applications is **May 31, 2025**.

10 Visa Application

Registrants who are not entitled to visa exemption by agreement between China and the country

concerned should hold valid visas and contact their travel agent or the Chinese Embassy, Consulate or other representative agency in their country or region regarding the need for visas to enter the People's Republic of China. Please check by yourself if you need visa or not to enter into China.

To apply for visas, registrants may be requested by the Chinese Embassy or Consulate to submit a letter of invitation. If you need an official invitation letter issued by the Nanjing University, please send the following information, including you and your accompanying members, as soon as possible to zhushang@nju.edu.cn. If you only require the invitation letter for yourself, the online registration for the application submission is preferable (<https://forms.office.com/r/JXq2QBTA CH?origin=lprLink>).

- Place of Visa Issuance (Embassy of the People's Republic of China in the Republic of Finland)
- Intended Date of Entry (YYYY-MM-DD)
- Period of Stay (days)
- Surname on the Passport
- Given Name on the Passport
- Sex
- Birth Date (YYYY-MM-DD)
- Nationality

Reminder:

(1) The place of visa issuance should be the full name of the Chinese Embassy and Consulate abroad (Check here: https://www.mfa.gov.cn/web/zwjg_674741/zwsg_674743/yz_674745/)

(2) Please fill in the estimated date of entry and period of stay.

(3) The passport surname and given name should be ALL CAPITAL LETTERS, and it must be consistent with your passport exactly. As for any special letter, please choose to fill in your name according to the Machine-Readable Zone.

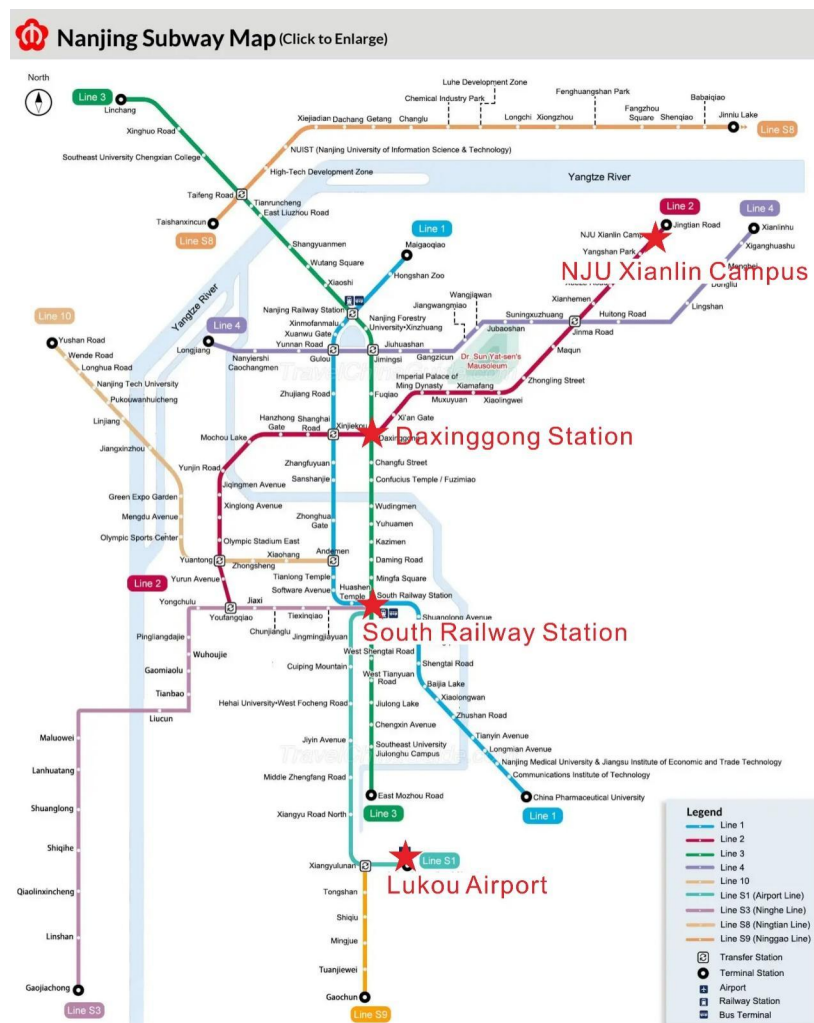
(4) Generally, Embassies and Consulates will require the passport to be valid for more than 6 months.

Please DO NOT modify the date format.

11 Transport and Accommodation suggestions

➤ Transportation

From Lukou airport, there are shuttle buses, taxis or private transfers that can be taken from the airport and bus terminal to the hotel where the conference will be held. By train, take Metro Line S1 from Lukou Airport, and transfer to Metro Line 3 at Nanjing South Railway Station, then switch to Metro Line 2 at Daxinggong Station to reach the Xianlin Campus of Nanjing University. The journey takes approximately 1 hour and 40 minutes.



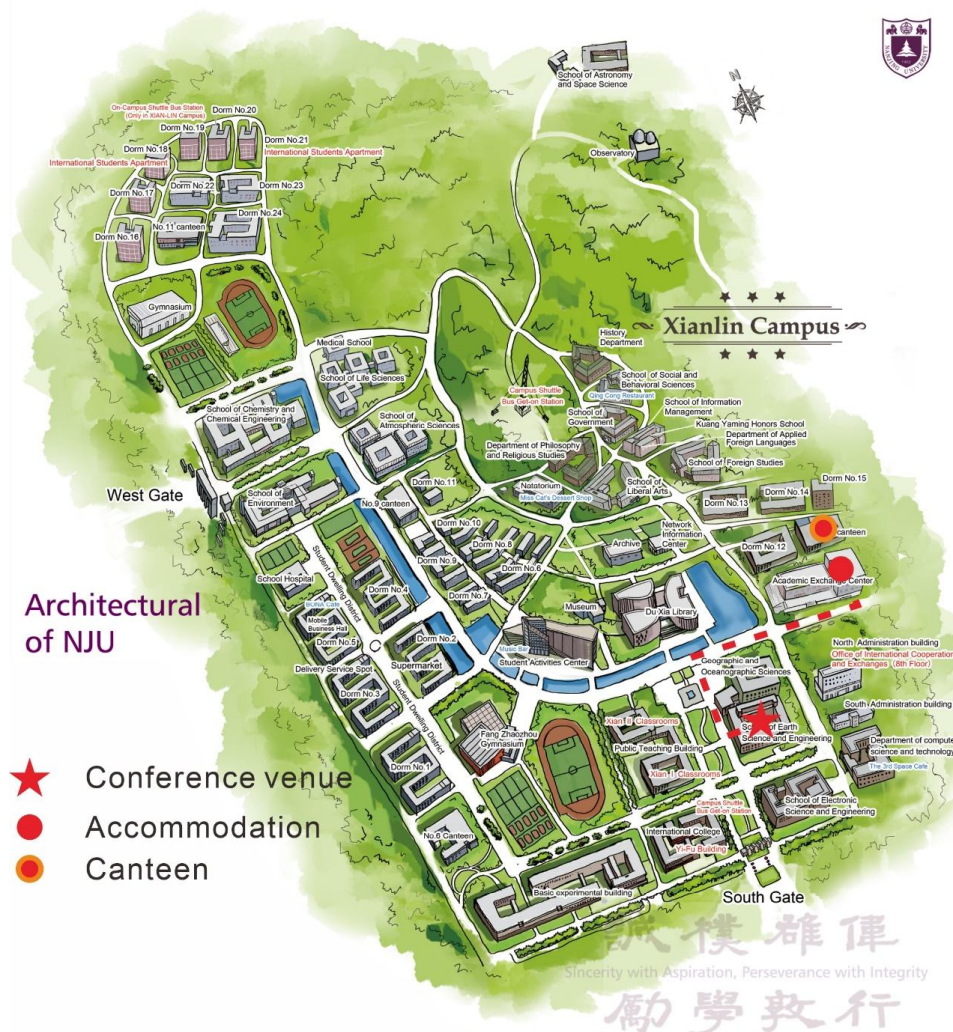
➤ **Venue**

This workshop will be held in the International Conference Center, Nanjing University

➤ **Accommodation**

Nanjing University International Conference Center

Room	Area	Price (CNY)
Deluxe Double Room	45 m ²	380 (Includes single breakfast 98 RMB)
Deluxe King Room	45 m ²	380 (Includes single breakfast 98 RMB)
Executive Double Room	48 m ²	468 (Includes single breakfast 98 RMB)
Executive King Room	67 m ²	490 (Includes single breakfast 98 RMB)



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We are looking forward to seeing you in Nanjing, China!

The organizing committee.

April 29, 2025

