

## Austral–Asian Pole–Equator–Pole Transect PEP II Synthesis Meeting National University Singapore, November 26–29th, 2001

### Objective and Main Themes

To compile a synthesis of the past record of environmental change across the last two glacial cycles, the last two thousand years and during the historical period.

- Environment-Human Interactions
- History of monsoon circulation and ENSO
- Patterns of change in the Westerlies
- Evolution of drylands
- Sea level change, thermohaline circulation and ocean currents
- History of vegetation and habitat changes



### Keynote Speakers

*Organising committee:* John Dodson, Zhengtang Guo, Roy Sidle, David Taylor, Patrick De Deckker, Yugo Ono, Zhisheng An.  
*Speakers include:* Wang Pinxian, Peter Kershaw, Matt McGlone, Patrick De Deckker, Simon Haberle, Wahyoe Hantoro, Fa-Hu Chen, James Shulmeister, Kate Harle, Geoff Hope, John Magee, Michael Gagan, Ian Goodwin, Ashok Singhvi, Sander van der Kaars, Weijian Zhou, Eiji Matsumoto, Takehiko Mikami, Hikaru Takahara, Julia Cole Meloth Thamban, Julie Brigham-Grette and Ryuji Tada.

### Contacts

Professor John Dodson  
Department of Geography,  
University of Western Australia, Perth,  
WA, 6009, Australia  
Fax: 61 8 9380 1054  
johnd@geog.uwa.edu.au

Professor Zhengtang Guo  
Institute of Geology and Geophysics,  
PO Box 9825  
Beijing, 100029 China  
Fax: 86 10 6203 2495  
ztguo@mail.igcas.ac.cn

Professor Roy Sidle  
Department of Geography, Na-  
tional University Singapore,  
Kent Ridge Rd., Singapore  
Fax: 65 777 3091  
geosrc@nus.edu.sg

**Registration Deadline: August 31st**

### Inside PAGES

Elke Bergius leaves the PAGES office this summer after ten months as our efficient office manager. Among her many duties, Elke was, together with Niklaus Schranz, responsible for the new and improved look of PAGES News. Elke leaves us for a managerial marketing job at a solar energy company based in Bern.

Beginning this June, Christoph Kull has taken up a 50% position as graphics coordinator at the PAGES

IPO alongside continued work in the department of Geography at the University of Bern, where he received his Ph.D. (2001). Christoph has scientific expertise in climate reconstruction and glacier modeling in the Andes and will be responsible for most graphics tasks at the PAGES office.

#### Call for Contributions

In the next issue of PAGES News, due to appear in December 2001, we plan to highlight and overview paleoenvironmental and paleo-climate research in the mountains.

This thematic issue will kick off PAGES activities in support of the UN sponsored year of the mountains in 2002. We encourage scientists from the PAGES community to submit material relevant to this theme. The deadline for submissions is November 1. Guidelines for submitted science highlights, workshop reports, and announcements can be found on our website (<http://www.pages.unibe.ch/products/newsletters.html>).

