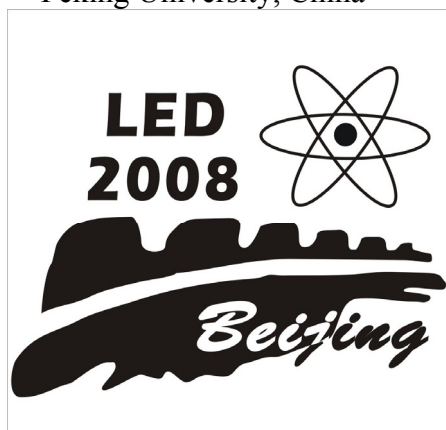


Conference Announcement

12th International Conference on Luminescence and Electron Spin Resonance Dating

Peking University, China



18-22nd September 2008

Peking University invites you to the 12th International Conference on Luminescence and Electron Spin Resonance Dating (LED 2008), to be held at the campus of Peking University, Beijing on 18 – 22, September, 2008. The conference will be sponsored by the National Natural Science Foundation of China, Peking University, Chinese Academy of Sciences and China Earthquake Administration.

LED 2008 continues the conference series which began in Oxford in 1978 and follows the tradition of more recent meetings in Rome (LED 1999), Reno (LED 2002) and Köln (LED 2005). It will bring together experts in the field of trapped charge dating from all over the world. The topics will range from fundamental studies of the physical basis of trapped charge dating, through advances in equipment technology and analytic procedures, to applications in dating Quaternary deposits and archaeological material. Presentations will include both oral and poster contributions. A few invited lectures will provide an overview of the latest developments in the field.

A conference web-page provides regular updates:
<http://led2008.pku.edu.cn>.

Location

The conference will be held at the Overseas Exchange Centre of Peking University in Beijing. Mean annual temperature in Beijing is about 20°C for September. Beijing Capital International Airport serves both international and domestic flights. Connections to Peking University, which is located in the north-western part of the city, are readily available.

Pre-conference excursion (13-17 September 2008)

A five-day pre-conference excursion to the spectacular Loess Plateau will be organised by Xulong Wang (Institute of Earth Environment, Chinese Academy of Sciences) and Gongming Yin (Institute of Geology, China Earthquake Administration). It will start in Xian and include a visit to the Terracotta Warriors which were dated by luminescence 20 years ago. Further details will be available in the 2nd Circular and on the conference web-page. The cost of the excursion (including accommodation, food and flight to Beijing) will be in the range of € 450–500.

Conference fees

Professionals	€ 380 (Early)/430 (Late)
Students	€ 180 (Early)/230 (Late)
Accompanying persons	€150

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Important Dates

Early Registration in order to obtain lower conference fee: **March 15th, 2008**

Registration for Pre-Conference Excursion : **May 15th, 2008**

Reservation of Accommodation : **May 15th, 2008**

Submission of Abstract : **May 30th, 2008**