

Variscides-Craton-Uralides: Linkage between Orogenic and Intraplate Processes

**EUROPROBE Devonian-Triassic “Time-Slice” Symposium
Moscow 28-29 October 2001**

EUROPROBE-sponsored meetings in 2001 comprise a series of four “time-slice” orientated symposia crossing the bounds of EUROPROBE projects and representing the culmination of these projects. The “time-slice” symposia are aimed at identifying links between Earth evolution events occurring synchronously in Europe, but in different geological provinces, and thereby elucidating the possible genetic links and feedback paths among the underlying asthenospheric-lithospheric processes.

The Devonian-Triassic in Europe was in general a time of convergence at its margins, with consolidation of accreted orogenic belts, contemporaneous with plume activity, magmatism, and thermo-extensional destabilisation in its interior. Accordingly, the EUROPROBE Devonian-Triassic “Time-Slice” Symposium combines aspects of the EUROPROBE Urals, GeoRift, and TESZ projects. It will take place in Moscow 28-29 October 2001, immediately prior to the “7th Zonenshain International Conference on Plate Tectonics”.

The **Variscides-Craton-Uralides: Linkage between Orogenic and Intraplate Processes Symposium** invites contributions documenting changes in tectonic style from Devonian until Triassic times in Europe’s various geological provinces in order to unravel the competing roles of governing processes in time. While documentation of the age and spatial correlation of lithospheric structures and tectonic events is a key goal of the symposium, the geophysical dimension of mapping lithosphere evolution patterns in time and space is also important. Results of the symposium will contribute to an integrated volume of EUROPROBE research to be published in 2002.

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Interested participants are invited to contact one of the above by e-mail with the title of a proposed contribution.

Oral as well as poster presentations are welcome, but the total number of presentations and the number of participants will be severely limited and based on the choices of the convenors. Participants will qualify for limited financial assistance from the European Science Foundation (via the EUROPROBE programme) and are encouraged to stay in Moscow after the EUROPROBE Symposium and contribute to the “7th Zonenshain International Conference on Plate Tectonics” that immediately follows.

Information on the latter can be found at www.nsu.ru/science/rsgsgt/tsr.htm.