



British Society for Geomorphology Annual Conference, Edinburgh, 4th-6th September 2023

4th Circular (27th July 2023)

The British Society for Geomorphology annual conference will take place at the University of Edinburgh from Monday 4th to Wednesday 6th September 2023. It will include a mix of oral and poster presentations delivered by geomorphologists from all career stages, who will share the latest exciting developments in geomorphological science and its application.

Registration costs have been kept to a minimum to promote participation, and thanks to the generous financial support of the BSG and its associated journal, *Earth Surface Processes and Landforms*, edited by Wiley.

Provisional programme

We have received 79 abstracts, that will be divided in three oral sessions of one hour each (12 abstracts) and two poster sessions (34 posters per session) that will each have two and a half hours dedicated to them. These will be complemented with invited seminars (Cuchlaine King Symposium) and award lectures. The provisional programme is shown on the next page.

This year will see the launch of the **Cuchlaine King Symposium**, named after the first female UK professor of geomorphology: <https://www.theguardian.com/science/2020/feb/17/cuchlaine-king-obituary>. The half-day symposium focuses on a timely geomorphology-related topic, with keynote speakers and lively discussion on the Monday afternoon (4th September), that will lead to a special issue in *Earth Surface Processes and Landforms*. The general theme this year is “**novel approaches to quantify landscape changes**” and our speakers are:

- **Alison Duvall**, University of Washington
- **Liran Goren**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
- **Laure Guerit**, Geosciences Rennes
- **Shasta Marrero**, Cardiff University
- **Duna Roda-Boluda**, VU Amsterdam
- **Veerle Vanacker**, Universite Catholique de Louvain

Monday 4th September		
10:00-12:00	Early Career Workshops (including publication workshop)	
12:00-13:30	Registration	
13:30-13:45	Welcome and introduction	M. Attal, S. Mudd, L. Dingle (ESP&L)
13:45-14:45	Cuchlaine King Symposium - part 1	L. Goren, L. Guerit
14:45-15:15	Break	
15:15-16:15	Cuchlaine King Symposium - part 2	D. Roda-Boluda, S. Marrero
16:15-16:45	Break	
16:45-17:45	Cuchlaine King Symposium - part 3	V. Vanacker, A. Duvall
18:00-20:00	Drinks reception and awards	

Tuesday 5th September		
9:00-9:30	Welcome, tea, coffee	
9:30-10:30	Oral session 1 (4 x 15')	
10:30-11:30	Break, Poster session A (part 1)	
11:30-12:30	Warwick and Chorley Award Lectures (2 x 30')	L. Slater, C. Donatelli
12:30-14:00	Lunch, Poster session A (part 2)	
14:00-15:00	Oral session 2 (4 x 15')	
15:00-16:45	Break, Poster session B (part 1)	
16:45-17:30	Sweeting and Kirkby Award Lectures (15' and 30')	T. Carpenter, Tbc

Wednesday 6th September		
9:00-9:30	Welcome, tea, coffee	
9:30-10:30	Oral session 3 (4 x 15')	
10:30-11:30	Break, Poster session B (part 2)	
11:30-12:15	Linton Award Lecture (45')	C. Woodroffe
12:15-12:30	Closing of the conference activities	M. Attal, S. Mudd
12:30-14:30	AGM	

Registration

Registration (including field trips): <https://www.efdelegates.ed.ac.uk/BSGregistration>

Early bird rate and field trip registration deadline **31st July 2023**.

Registration closes Tuesday 22nd August 2023.

The conference will take place at the John McIntyre Conference Centre at the University of Edinburgh's Pollock Halls (<https://www.uoecollection.com/conferences-events/venue-hubs/pollock-estate/john-mcintyre-conference-centre/>), at the feet of Arthur's Seat (Edinburgh's extinct volcano). Attendees will have access to the University's accommodation with a 10-15% discount using the promo code EVENT (<https://www.uoecollection.com/hotels/>), but may also find suitable hotels and B&B in the nearby vibrant city centre.

Interested in **Ceilidh dancing** on Tuesday 5th September, 8pm, at Summerhall? Tickets are available for £10 at <https://tickets.summerhall.co.uk/event/26:5109/26:67895/>

Costs and what is included

Registration fees include access to conference, buffet lunches, tea/coffee breaks and snacks, welcome reception on Monday night (no dinner), plus retrospective access to session recordings. Online attendance to the conference is free **but you still need to register**.

To become a member of the BSG and enjoy a multitude of benefits, including reduced registration fees, go to <https://www.geomorphology.org.uk/home/about-us/bsg-membership/>. The membership fee is £30 per year for full membership, £12 per year for students, and £40 for four years for students and early career academics and practitioners.

	Early bird (until 31st July 2023)		Late registration	
	<i>Full conference</i>	<i>Daily rate</i>	<i>Full conference</i>	<i>Daily rate</i>
Member	£100	£35	£130	£45
Student / PGR / Unwaged / Retired / early career professional	£75	n/a	£85	n/a
Non-member	£150	£55	£180	£65

Field trips: We are offering three field trips. **Deadline to register for field trips has been extended to the 31st July, via the conference registration website.** If you need special adjustments to attend a trip, please contact us (see contacts below).

- 1-day trip, East Lothian (cost £30 pp), Sunday 3rd September
An East Lothian coastal field trip looking at markers of postglacial isostatic rebound (raised beaches, knickpoints) and Storegga tsunami deposits.
- 1-day trip, Eddleston Water (cost £30 pp), Sunday 3rd September
Visit of the Eddleston Water which has just been designated a UNESCO global Ecohydrology demonstration site (<https://www.dundee.ac.uk/stories/environmental-project-gains-unesco-recognition>).
- 2-day trip, Glencoe / Cairngorms, with one overnight stay (cost £150 pp including transport and accommodation in double room; cost £200 pp for single room option), Saturday 2nd - Sunday 3rd September
Post-glacial geomorphology trip. The aim of the trip is to visit key locations that illustrate the glacial imprint on landscapes, and the processes involved in post-glacial readjustment. Provisional locations include Rannoch Mohr (where the ice cap was focused during the Loch Lomond / Younger Dryas readvance), Glen Coe, the parallel roads of Glen Roy (<https://www.scottishgeology.com/best-places/parallel-roads-glen-roy/>), and possibly the Cairngorms.

Any questions?

For registration-related queries: BSGregistration@ed.ac.uk

For other matters, contact Mikael Attal or Simon Mudd: mikael.attal@ed.ac.uk or simon.m.mudd@ed.ac.uk.

M. Attal and S. Mudd, July 2023