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RCNPS/RCNNS 6th Joint Annual Meeting in Denmark

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The 6th Joint Meeting of the Regional Committee on Northern Neogene Stratigraphy and the Regional Committee on Northern Paleogene Stratigraphy was held in Denmark on 1–5 September 1997. The meeting and the subsequent excursion were organised by Peter Konradi and Claus Heilmann-Clausen.

The Committees belong to the Subcommissions on Neogene Stratigraphy and Paleogene Stratigraphy, respectively, under the International Union of Geo-logical Sciences.

The lecture and poster sessions as well as the business session took place at the Karlslunde Conference Centre, about 25 km south of Copenhagen City, on the 1–3 September. The meeting was attended by approximately 40 scientists from nine European countries, including Italy and Spain.

The lectures included the following topics: sequence stratigraphy, sequence development, depositional history, sedimentology, prediction of lithology, causes for sequence formation, ash-bearing strata, sedimentology, geometry of depositional bodies, lithostratigraphy, magneto-stratigraphy, biostratigraphy, palynology, sea-level changes, basin and coastal facies, marginal marine setting, molluscs, dinoflagellate cysts, *Bolboforma*, changing climates, palaeoenvironment, palaeoclimatology, and a new Cretaceous/Paleogene boundary section.

Four posters were presented during the lecture sessions, including a poster on the Gram clay pit.

Olaf Michelsen, secretary of the International Commission on Stratigraphy, presented the work and goals of the Commission.

The programme and abstracts were published in *Danmarks og Grønlands Geologiske Undersøgelse, Rapport 1997/87*.

The excursion on 3–5 September had 25 participants and visited various localities in Sjælland and Jylland, including sections of Maastrichtian-Danian, Selandian, Thanetian, Ypresian, Lutetian, Chattian and Miocene strata. Guides and contributors at the localities included: Henrik Friis, Claus Heilmann-Clausen, Ole Bjørslev Nielsen, Birger Schnitz, Bo Pagh Schultz, Georg Stenstrup, Finn Surlyk and Erik Thomsen.

During the business meeting Noël Vandenberghe, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven, offered to host the next RCNNS/RCNPS biannual joint meeting in Leuven.

Three of the lectures given at the meeting are presented in this issue of the *Bulletin of the Geological Society of Denmark*.

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