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29 March– 2 April	Fourth International Conference on Southern Hemisphere Meteorology and Oceanography. Hobart, Australia. Contact: Dr D. Karoly, Centre for Dynamical Meteorology, Monash University,
2 April	Clayton VIC 3168, Australia.
1–3 April	23rd Annual Arctic Workshop on Bipolar Perspective on Processes and Records of Environmental Change. Columbus Ohio. Contact: Dr Steve Forman, Ohio State University, Byrd Polar Research Institute, 1090 Carmack Road Columbus, Ohio, 43210, USA.
3–7 May	European Geophysical Society XVIII General Assembly. Weisbaden, Germany. Contact: EGS Office, Postfach 49, Max-Planck-Str. 1. W-3411 Katlenburg-Lindau, Germany.
12–14 May	Contact: Dr V.H. Martin, Coordinator, Programa Antártico, Universidad de Chile, Casilla 653, Santiago, Chile.
21–25 June	**Nansen Centennial Symposium on "The Role of the Polar Oceans in Shaping the Global Environment". Solstrand Bergen, Norway. Contact: Dr B.E. Johannessen, Tel: 47-05-29-72-88; Fax: 47-05-20-00-50.
4–10 July	Southern Ocean Cephalopods Life Cycles, Populations. Kings College, Cambridge. Organizer: Dr Paul Rodhouse, British Antarctic Survey, High Cross, Madingley Road, Cambridge, CB3 0ET, UK.
5–9 July	6th International Conference on Permafrost. Beijing. Contact: Cheng Guodong, Lanzhou Institute of Glaciology and Geochryology, Academia Sinica, Lanzhou, 730 000, China.
5–9 July	5th International Conference on Fluvial Sedimentology. The University of Queensland, Brisbane. Further information from: Continuing Professional Education, The University of Queensland, Queensland 4072, Australia.
11–16 July	International Symposium on Cold Hardiness in Animals and Plants. Arnhem, The Netherlands. Contact: The Secretary, International Symposium on Cold Hardiness in Animals and Plants, Department of Ecology & Ecotoxicology, Vrije Universiteit, De Boelelaan 1087, 1081 HV Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
11–23 July	6th Scientific Assembly of the International Association of Meteorology and Atmospheric Physics. Pacific Convention Plaza Yokohama, Japan. Contact: Professor T. Asai, IAMAP '93, c/o Sankei Convention, Sankei Building, 10F, 1-7-1, Otemachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100, Japan.
8–11 August	Sixth International Conference on Biological Ice Nucleation. Laramie, Wyoming. Contact: Prof. G. Vali, Department of Atmospheric Science, University of Wyoming, Box 3038, Laramie WY82071, USA.
18–21 August	International Symposium on Radio Propagation. Bejing, China. Contact: Prof. Sha Zon (Z. Sha), China Research Institute of Radio Propagation, Box 138/93 Xinxiang, Henan 453003, China.
23–29 August	3rd International Conference on Geomorphology, McMaster University Ontario. Contact: Derek Ford or Brian McCann, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada L8S 4K1.
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2 September	XXIV General Assembly of the International Union of Radio Science. Kyoto International Conference Hall, Kyoto Japan. Contact: Prof. I. Kimura c/o Osaka Office Business Centre for Academic Societies Japan, 10th Tabuchi Building, 6–3 Matsugae-cho, Kita-ku, Osaka 530, Japan.
5–11 September	5th SCAR VISAG Conference on Antarctic Glaciology. Jesus College, Cambridge, U.K. Contact: Dr Elizabeth Morris, British Antarctic Survey, High Cross, Madingley Road, Cambridge CB3 0ET, U.K.
8–10 September	International Glaciological Society International Workshop on Glacier Hydrology. Jesus College Cambridge. Contact: Dr David N. Collins, Department of Geography, University of Manchester, Manchester M13 9PL, UK.

8–17 September	Symposium on Layering in Igneous Complexes, Wager and Brown 25th Anniversary Commemorative Meeting. Johannesburg, South Africa. Details from: Professor R. Grant Cawthorn, Department of Geology, University of Witwatersrand, Private Bag 3, 2050 WITS, South Africa.
20–24 September	Professor Dr H. Miller, Alfred-Wegener-Institut für Polar-und Meeresforschung, Columbusstraße, 2850 Bremerhaven, Germany.
20–26 September	International Symposium on Seasonal and Long-term Fluctuations of Nival and Glacial Processes in Mountains at Different Scales of Analyses. Tashkent, USSR. Contact: Dr V.G. Konovalov, Central Asian Regional Research Hydrometeorological Institute, 72 Observatorskaya str., Tashkent, USSR 70052.
13–15 October	Paul Dirks, Institute of Earth Sciences, University of Utrecht, PO Box 80021, Budapestlaan 4, 3508 TA, Utrecht, The Netherlands.
4–8 October	Reykjavik, Iceland. Contact: Ms Debra Steward, Technical Resources Inc., 3202 Tower Oaks Blvd., Suite 200, Rockville, MD 20852, USA.
15–26 October	4th International Congress on Jurassic Stratigraphy and Geology. Mendoza and Neuquén provinces, Argentina. Contact: Dr A.C. Riccardi, C.C. 886, 1900 La Plata, Argentina.
23–28 October	Growth and Environment, Challenging Extreme Frontiers. McGill Center from Northern Studies and Research, Montreal. Contact: IDEEA Two, McGill Center for Northern Studies and Research, Burnside Hall Suite, McGill University, 805 Sherbrooke St. West, Montreal, Quebec, Canada HBA 2K6.
9–11 November	
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10–14 January	183 9th International Symposium on Gondwana Geology, Geophysics and Mineral Resources. Hyderabad, India. Contact: The Secretary, Organizing Committee, 9th International Gondwana Symposium, c/o Director, International Wing, 27 Jawaharlal Nehru Road, Calcutta 700 016, India.
30 May-3 June	Symposium, C/o Director, International Wing, 27 Jawanana Neinu Road, Calcuta 700 016, India. SCAR 6th Biology Symposium: Antarctic Communities, Species, Structure & Survival. Contact: Prof. B. Battaglia, SCAR 6th Biology Symposium, Dipartimento di Biologia, Università degli Studi di Padova, Via Trieste 75, 35121 Padova, Italy.
6–7 June	Weddell Sea Tectonics and Gondwana Breakup. Cambridge. Contact Gill McDonnell, British Antarctic Survey, High Cross, Madingley Road, Cambridge CB3 0ET, UK.
15–19 August	Bremen, Germany. Contact: Dr Barbara Donner, South Atlantic Symposium, Fachbereich 5 der Universität Geowissenschaften, Postfach 33 04 40, W-2800 Bremen 33, Germany.

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17th Antarctic Treaty Meeting

The meeting was held in Venice between 11–29 November 1992. SCAR was represented by its Executive Secretary and the Chairman of the Group of Specialists on Environmental Affairs & Conservation. Of importance to the scientific community were the following: acceptance of the recommendations on environmental monitoring prepared at the Group of Experts Meeting in Buenos Aires; a proposal to establish an Antarctic Data Directory; endorsement of the report from a joint SCAR/IUCN Workshop on Protected Areas; progress with rules of procedure for the Committee on Environmental Protection. There was no agreement on tourism.