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- 28 Mar–1 April** **Neotectonic Deformation of the Antarctic Plate**, Strasbourg, France. Session K2 at European Union of Geosciences. Information at <http://east.u.fr/EUG/meeting.html>
- 20–22 April** ☛ **EISMINT/EPICA Symposium on Ice Sheet Modelling and Deep Ice Drilling**, Den Haag, Netherlands. Contact: EISMINT/EPICA Symposium, International Glaciological Society, Lensfield Rd, Cambridge CB2 1ER, UK, Fax: +44 (0) 1223 336543, E-mail: Int_Glaciol_Soc@compuserve.com
- 28 April** **Isotopes in Palaeoclimate Research**, Leicester University, United Kingdom. A forum including Isotopes on Polar ice cores. Contact: Melanie Leng, NERC Isotope Geosciences Laboratory, BGS, Keyworth, Nottingham NG12 5GG, E-mail: m.leng@nigl.nerc.ac.uk
- 5–8 May** **10th Global Warming International Conference & Expo**, Mount Fuji, Japan. Information at www.globalwarming.net or Contact: The Organisers on Fax: +1 630 910 1561
- 21–26 May** ☛ **EURESCO. Palaeoclimate Modelling and Analysis: Quaternary Earth System Interactions and Modelling**, Albufeira, Portugal. Contact: J. Hendekovic, EURESCO, 1 quai Lezay-Marnesia, F-67080 Strasbourg Cedex, France, Fax: +33 388 36 69 87, E-mail: euresco@esf.org WWW server at: <http://www.esf.org/euresco>
- 5–9 July** **SCAR VIII International Symposium on Antarctic Earth Sciences**, Wellington, New Zealand. Contact: Dr Fred Davey, IGNS, PO Box 1320, Wellington, New Zealand, Fax: +64 4 4710977, E-mail: ISAES@gns.cri.nz
- 16–20 August** ☛ **International Symposium on the Verification of Cryospheric Models**, Zürich, Switzerland. Information from International Glaciological Society, Lensfield Rd, Cambridge CB2 1ER, UK, Fax: +44 (0) 1223 336543, Website: <http://www.geo.umnw.ethz.ch/igs-symposium>, E-mail: 100751.1667@compuserve.com
- 7–8 September** ☛ **International Conference on the Deformation of Glacial Materials**, London, UK. Contact: Bryn Hubbard, Centre for Glaciology, Institute of Geography and Earth Sciences, University of Wales, Aberystwyth, Ceredigion SY23 3DB, UK, Fax: +44 (0) 1970 622780, E-mail: byh@aber.ac.uk Website: <http://www.aber.ac.uk/~byh/dgm99.html>
- 17–22 September** ☛ **EURESCO. Polar Regions and Quaternary Climate: Towards High-Resolution Records of the Last Climatic Cycle - the Antarctic Perspective**, Giens (nr Toulon), France. Contact: J. Hendekovic, EURESCO, 1 quai Lezay-Marnesia, F-67080 Strasbourg Cedex, France, Fax: +33 388 36 69 87, E-mail: euresco@esf.org WWW server at: <http://www.esf.org/euresco>
- 26–30 September** ☛ **International Geographical Union Conference - Periglacial Environments: Past, Present and Future**, Lodz, Poland. Contact: Katedra Badan Czwartorzedu, Uniwersytetu Lodzkiego, ul. M. Skłodowskiej-Curie 11, 90-505 Lodz, Poland, Fax +42 637 57 76, E-mail: czwart@krysia.uni.lodz.pl

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- 28 May–2 June** ☛ **TEMP 2000: Insect and Plant Cold Hardiness**, University of Victoria, Canada. Contact: Pat McGuire, University of Victoria, Division of Continuing Studies, University of Victoria, PO Box 3020, Victoria, BC, Canada V8W 3N5, Fax: +1 250 721 8774, E-mail: pmcguire@uvic.ca
- 19-23 June** **International Glaciological Society Symposium on "Sea Ice and its Interactions with the Ocean, Atmosphere and Biosphere"**, Fairbanks, AK, USA. Contact: Simon Ommanney, Secretary General, International Glaciological Society, Lensfield Rd, Cambridge CB2 1ER, UK, Fax: +44 (0) 1223 336543, E-mail: 100751.1667@compuserve.com

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27 Aug–1 Sept **SCAR VIIIth International Biology Symposium**, Amsterdam, the Netherlands. Contact: Netherlands Committee for Antarctic Research, Netherlands SCAR Committee, PO Box 93120, 2509 AC The Hague, The Netherlands, E-mail: alw@nwo.nl

News

ANTEC - a new SCAR Group of Specialists

At XXV SCAR, Concepción, Chile, July 1998, SCAR Executive approved the setting up of a new Group of Specialists, to investigate a range of problems related to Antarctic Neotectonics, or ANTEC for short. The group arises from a joint proposal by three Working Groups (Geology, Solid-Earth Geophysics, and Geodesy and Geographic Information), and recognizes the research opportunities that now exist because of recent advances in geodetic measurement using satellite-based techniques, and from an expanding network of seismic stations in and around Antarctica. Antarctica poses particular challenges in the study of tectonics because of its intra-plate rifting and largely aseismic character.

The first step in coordinating efforts will be to set up a number of meetings. A symposium on *Neotectonic Deformation of the Antarctic Plate*, convened by Ian Dalziel, Reinhard Dietrich, and Terry Wilson, is scheduled to take place in conjunction with European Union of Geosciences, *EUG 10* meeting, March 1999 in Strasbourg. Further information can be found at:

<http://eost.u-strasbg.fr/EUG/Meeting.html>