**International Meeting of Early-stage Researchers in Palaeontology**

For the last 13 years, young researchers in Palaeontology have organized an annual meeting in the Iberian Peninsula. This event has gathered pre-graduate, post-graduate and post-doctoral researchers, providing a platform to discuss collaborations and present research. This year, in an attempt to broaden the scope and impact of the meeting, the organization has decided to internationalise the event. For that reason, we would like to invite you to participate in the 1st International Meeting of Early-stage Researchers in Palaeontology - XIV Encuentro de Jóvenes Investigadores en Paleontología (1st IMERP-XIV EJIP).

**Key Dates and Deadlines**

1. Call for abstracts: January 1, 2016
REGISTRATION

The deadline for registration is the 31\textsuperscript{th} March 2016. The early-bird registration fee is €60 and includes attendance at conference, accommodation, meals, pre-meeting field trip and the transportation from Valencia to Titaguas(*). Delegates will also have the option to register for the conference dinner and post-meeting field trip for a small fee (details to follow shortly).

Registration after the deadlines is €80. Please note that places are limited and the organization cannot guarantee the above services for delegates registered after the deadline.

PRESENTATIONS

Posters: will be displayed during the whole duration of the meeting. Authors will be invited to discuss their research at a designated poster session.

Oral Communications: will be 10 minutes with 5 minutes for discussion. Presentations in PowerPoint, Prezi or Keynote are supported.

The deadline for abstract submission is the 31\textsuperscript{th} January 2016. Abstracts must be .doc or .docx files, and submitted to 1stimerp.xivejip@gmail.com. Please indicate whether the contribution will be an oral communication or poster. Guidelines will soon be made available on our webpage (imerp-ejip.blogspot.com.es).

(*) Titaguas is a neighbouring locality to Alpuente where the reception, accommodation, breakfasts and dinners will take place.
TOPICS
Participants are invited to deliver oral and poster presentations that cover all aspects of Palaeontology. The meeting will be organised in four different workshops, covering the following topics.

- Life in the Palaeozoic: an overview of land and sea ecosystems.
- Palaeobiodiversity and evolution in the Mesozoic world.
- Tertiary ecosystems: evolution and palaeoenvironments.
- New insights on Quaternary ecosystems.

Works which do not fall into any of the categories above will be included in a General Palaeontology group.

LOCATION
Alpuente is a municipality of Los Serranos, located 96 km from the city of Valencia (Spain). We have chosen Alpuente due to its palaeontological relevance. The site boasts an impressive Mesozoic vertebrate macrofauna. Valencia is well connected with the rest of Spain and Europe. It has three local Airports (Valencia, Alicante and Castellon) and is the base of several low-cost airlines. Valencia is also connected by High Speed Trains (AVE from the Spanish acronym) with Madrid and Alicante.

WELCOME AND SEE YOU IN ALPUENTE!