

## **Welcome to Sediment 2010!**

On behalf of the Organization Committee of the 25th Sediment meeting we welcome you to Potsdam. This meeting is jointly organized by the Central European Section of SEPM (SEPM-CES) and by the newly established Sedimentology Section of the Geologische Vereinigung (GV). Goals of this meeting are to provide a focus for sedimentological research in Germany and its neighboring countries as well as to promote and support young researchers in the area of sedimentary geology.

We are pleased to present an attractive and diverse scientific program, presented by a high degree by young researchers. In addition to the oral presentations, our program includes large time blocks for poster presentations and discussions. We see this as a fundamental contribution to the overall goals of the Sediment meeting. Moreover, a number of short courses and field trips are offered to complement the program. We thank the Instructors and Field Trip Leaders for their much welcomed contributions.

A highlight of this year's meeting is a Panel Discussion on the future job markets for sedimentary geologists. We are pleased to have been able to attract to this event professionals from industry and governmental agencies to discuss their perspective of which skills are required in their fields. We anticipate that this event provides both inspiration and useful information for the young sedimentary geologists.

Assembling such a program requires the dedicated work of a number of people, without whose effort this meeting could have not been possible. Therefore, heartfelt thanks go to all the members of the Organization Committee and the Scientific Committee as well as to all our Student helpers. We are grateful to our sponsors for their financial and operational support.

We anticipate that the Sediment 2010 will provide the participants with a good platform to strengthen their collaboration networks. We wish to all participants a wonderful time in Potsdam and a successful conference.

Mit herzlichem Gruß und Glück Auf!

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On behalf of the Organisation Committee