The conference is focused on the following topics:

1. Evolution of plume magmatism and related large igneous provinces (LIPs) in the Earth’s history.
2. Age intervals, duration and structure of LIPs.
3. Deep mantle sources and role of plumes in the LIP formation.
4. Deep mantle geodynamics, models of mantle plumes and problems of plume-lithosphere and mantle-core interaction in the Earth’s history.
5. The role of plumes in the subcontinental lithospheric mantle formation and modification.
6. Specific metallogeny of LIPs as variation of size and composition.
7. Ore-magmatic systems of LIPs, their fluid regime and formation factors, prediction and searching criteria for huge and unique mineral deposits.
8. Effects of LIPs on the environment, climate change and natural disasters.

Program of the Conference:
1 September: Accommodation in Listvyanka, Registration
2 September: Opening ceremony, Plenary session, Thematic sessions, Ice-breaking Party
3 September: Thematic sessions, Poster sessions.
4 September: Thematic sessions, General discussions, Closing Ceremony, Banquet.
5 – 8 September: field trip.

Field Trip
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Field trip A. “LIP and mantle plume record in Western Transbaikalia”. The itinerary covers a total of 1200 km. Field trip leader: Andrey Tsygankov.
Preliminary cost is USD 200, including transfer and launch.
Field trip B. “Mantle plume record in Olkhon area, Cisbaikalia”. The itinerary covers a total of 700 km. Field trip leader: Alexey Mekhonoshin.
Preliminary cost is USD 300, including accommodation, transfer and meals. 20 participants as maximum for either field trip. Detailed information will be indicated in the Second Circular (March 2015).

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Conference publications will include:
2. Field Excursion Guidebook.
3. Special issue of “Russian Geology and Geophysics”.

General Information

Conference Languages: The official languages of the conference are English and Russian. All presentations and posters are to be prepared in English. We encourage the Russian participants to present their talks in English. Those participants who are not comfortable with this are kindly advised to arrange for interpretation through their bilingual colleagues (own preliminary agreement required) or to consider participation in a poster session.

Venue: Conference will be held at “Pribaikalskaya” Hotel (http://www.pribaikalskaja.ru/en.html) in Listvyanka settlement, located 70 km SE from Irkutsk, on Lake Baikal shore. Transfer from Irkutsk to Baikal and back to Irkutsk will be provided.

Climate: The conference period is characterized by moderate (20-25 C) temperatures with moderate precipitation.

Travel: The airport Irkutsk (IKT) (http://en.iktport.ru/) is the center of passenger and cargo transport in Eastern Siberia. The airport offers direct connections with over 60 cities in Russia and abroad. The airport is linked to the city by public transport and taxi. The Organizing Committee recommends don’t use the services of private drivers.

Russian railways (http://eng.rzd.ru/) Long-distance trains run from Europe and Asia to Irkutsk. There are direct trains from Moscow and most Russian cities, China, Mongolia, and other countries.

Visa: Most foreign participants will be required to obtain a visa to enter Russia, which may take you some time. Please check your visa requirements with the Consulate General of Russia in your home country. A formal letter of invitation is a likely prerequisite for visa application, and if this is the case, such a letter will be sent upon your request soon after you let us know.

Accommodation: Rooms in “Pribaikalskaya” Hotel (http://www.pribaikalskaja.ru/en.html) are available at various rates and degrees of comfort. Room prices are in range USD 40-70 (breakfast is included). Accommodation should be reserved through the Organizing Committee.

Insurance liability Participants should note that emergency medical costs are not covered by the registration fee.

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Key Dates
25 February 2015 – Start of registration
20 April 2015 - Registration deadline
1 June 2015 - Excursions registration deadline
15 June 2015 - Abstract submission deadline

Abstract submission
Abstracts should be submitted in English (up to 2 pages of A4 size, font Times New Roman 12, single space, all margins 2.5 cm, in MS Office Word format (.doc or .docx).

Figures should be included directly in abstract file. Detailed instructions and abstract template is located at http://conf.nsc.ru/files/conferences/lip2015/255762/Abstract_Instructions.doc.

Registration Fee
Registration fees are USD 200 for conference participants, USD 150 for accompanying persons, and USD 100 for students.
Registration fee includes Program & Abstracts Volume, Excursion Guidebook, attendance at the sessions, ice-breaking party, meals (launch and dinner), and banquet. Final excursion fees and methods of payment will be indicated in the Second Circular (March 2015).

Registration
Online registration is available at the conference website: http://lip2015.igc.irk.ru

If you are unable to register online, fill in the form and send it back to the Organizing Committee

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