

**36th International Geological Congress**

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Dear All,

We are happy to inform that the Registration page for the 36th IGC (International Geological Congress), to be held between **March 2 and 8, 2020** in **New Delhi**, is now **open**and **live**at  website [**www.36igc.org**](http://www.36igc.org/). Please note that the Super Early Bird Registration is open now, until July 31, 2019, and that abstract submission shall continue until August 31, 2019.

Theme No. 40 (Planetary Sciences) has seven symposia convened by theme experts from India and abroad (details pasted below)**.**

You are cordially invited to this geoscientific mega-event to showcase your important scientific contributions in front of the global scientific community. You are also welcome to visit and discover India and the sub-continent - a vast expanse of land of vibrant colours, rich heritage and culture endowed with numerous splendid geological monuments and landscapes for a once-in-a-life-time experience.

Please contact the Conveners of the various sub-themes of your interest. We are eagerly looking forward to your contributions. Your kind participation in IGC 36 is of immense importance for the successful organization of this event and dissemination of knowledge on this global platform.

 Further details regarding Theme 40 and the symposia related to the seven sub-themes are outlined below:

**Theme 40: Planetary Sciences**

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***Symposia***

**40.1 Planetary surface processes on Moon, Mars and Venus**

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**40.2 Cosmochemistry of planetary materials and planetary processes**

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**40.3 Impact Cratering – The Works**

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**40.4 Remote sensing-based compositional studies of planetary bodies and Planetary Geomorphology**

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**40.5 Comparative Planetary Mineralogy and Petrology using Terrestrial Analogues**

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**40.6 Space Instrumentations and Innovations- Downsizing and Energy Efficient Technology**

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**40.7 Planetary habitability and Astrobiology**

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