

**Programme of IGCP653 Workshop (Nanjing 2017)**  
**(May 16-17, 2017)**

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**Day 1 (Tuesday, May 16, 2017)**

Morning

- 9:00-9:10 Opening ceremony (Zhang Yuandong)  
9: 10-10:10 The GOBE: definition, conception and duration (Thomas Servais).  
10:10-10:30 tea/coffee break and group photograph  
10:30-11:30 Evolution of the early metazoans in the Ediacaran and Early Palaeozoic  
(David Harper)

lunch

Afternoon

- 2:00-3:00 Evolution of the phytoplankton and the marine food chains in the Lower  
Palaeozoic: Ordovician Plankton Revolution (Thomas Servais)  
3:00-3:20 tea/coffee break  
3:20-4:20 Lower Palaeozoic timescales and Ordovician stratigraphy (David Harper)

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**Day 2 (Wednesday, May 17, 2017)**

Morning

- 9:00-11:30 PAST Software: case history on heterochrony in trilobites and vertebrates  
(David Harper)

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Afternoon

- 2:00-3:00 An introduction to Paleobiology Database (PBDB) and Geobiodiversity  
Database (GBDB)  
  
3:00-3:20 tea/coffee break  
3:20-4:20 Guide to PBDB online system: structure, data and applications.  
  
4: 20-4:30 Concluding ceremony

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