

29 September 2006

EMCOL  
MONTHLY MEETING  
Minutes

The meeting was convened in the Palaeontology Museum at 10:00 hours on Friday, 29 September 2006, with the following agenda:

1. EMCOL project activities
2. Status of EMCOL Laboratories
3. Training
4. Student applications
5. Other matters

**1. Project activities**

(i) Hazar Lake (Elazığ) Study: Emin Damirbağ, Hülya Kurt and Emre Damcı are now in Hazar Lake for a one-week geophysical survey during 24 September-1 October, 2006 for the project “ The archeological, geological and geophysical study of the underwater settlement in Lake Hazar, Elazığ” (ITU Research Foundation project no: 31722). They will carry out a seismic survey of the lake using EMCOL’s INNOMAR subbottom profiler.

(ii) Third progress report for the “Earthquake Risk Assessment in the Marmara Sea” project is due on 15 December, 2006. Core analysis work, C-14 dating, multi-channel seismic data processing and processing of the land seismic survey in Hersek and Tuzla areas are in progress.

**2. Status of EMCOL Laboratories:**

All equipment hand books are being photocopied. One set will be laced in the relevant laboratory, one set will be with the relavenat task leader and the original will be kept in Coordinator’s office.

**3. Training Activities**

a) A short course on *Ostracods* was given in EMCOL during 12-13 September 2006 by Dr. Ian Boomer of Birmingham University. The course was attended by 8 graduate students: Sena Akçer (EMCOL), Demet Biltekin (EMCOL), Deniz Dikçe (EMCOL), Ümmühan Sancar (EMCOL), Gül Sürmelihindi (EMCOL), Zahide Öngörüş (ITU-AYBE), Umut Barış Ülgen (ITU-EIES), İdil Çavuşoğlu (METU-Biology)

b) There will be a e-day course on the use and applications of our CTD probe on 30 September, 2006. The course will be given by Dr.Hüsne Altıok of Marine Sciences and Management Institute of İstanbul University.

c) Training sessions on the Shimadzu TOC/TIC analyzer by the Ant Teknik engineers will continue in October 2006. The next one-day course will be given by a Ant Teknik chemist during the first week in October, 2006.

d) EMCOL Research assistants, Emre Damcı and Kadir Eriş, attended a one-week hands-on-training course on MSCL (Multisensor core-logger) in IODP Bremen Core Repisotory during 18-22 September, 2006. The course was supervised by Dr. Jens Grutzner. The core logger did not work the first day. It was a good experience for Emre and Kadir to see some "real problems" arising. They did a good job during the rest of week collecting an excellent data set for the upper 30 m of ODP Site 1057.

e) EMCOL Research assistants, Sena Akçer and Gökhan Şans will attend a MSCL (Multisensor core-logger) in GFZ Potsdam Germany during 16-20 October, 2006. The course is organized and supervised by Dr. Helge Arz.

#### **4. Student applications**

Two students Deniz Dikçe and Dursun Acar started as EMCOL graduate students. A decision was reached to accept Nil Irvalı as a fourth EMCOL graduate student. Her appointment will start at the beginning of October, 2006. With her appointment as the EMCOL graduate student all four positions will have been filled.

There were no other matters for discusiion and the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 A.M.