

!Khure Africa Logo - Artist: !han≠kass'o, circa 1880

!Khure Africa The Story is the African Wind

A South Africa - France Collaborative Program in Quantitative Geobioscience and Climate Change

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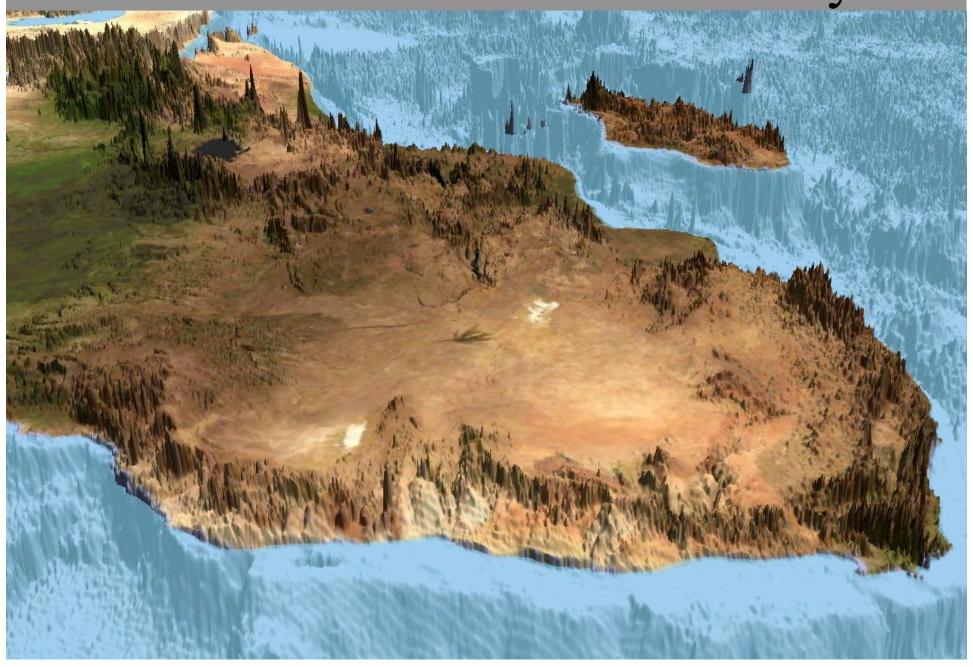


Workshop 12-14 June 2007

- !Khure Africa A new South African French scientific co-operation programme in
 - Earth System Science & Capacity Building
- "Linking Dynamic Co-Evolution of Earth & Life to Tectonics & Climate Change"

Host: AEON – Africa Earth Observatory Network at the University of Cape Town

!Khure Africa Field Laboratory





! Khure Africa: some timelines

- 1: ARCUS funds first 5 sub-projects end-2006
- 2: Workshop in South Africa followed by field reconnaissance (June 2007); funded by CSNR/NRF
- 3: Consolidation of large scale proposal (June 2007)
- 4: Submission proposal to DST (November 2007)
- 5: Revised submission proposal to DST(Jan 2008)

Suggested Duration of program ~5 years, 2008-2013

Synopsis of 16 sub-projects (yellow=ongoing)

- 1: Towards a better characterization of "conflict diamonds"
- 2: Large igneous provinces and large-scale climate change
- 3: Formation and stabilization of the first continents
- 4 : Paleomagnetic study of ancient ice ages primitive geodynamics
- 5 : Sun and Earth's magnetic fields and climate variability

6: Deep biosphere, mineralizations and ancient life support systems (DRILLING)

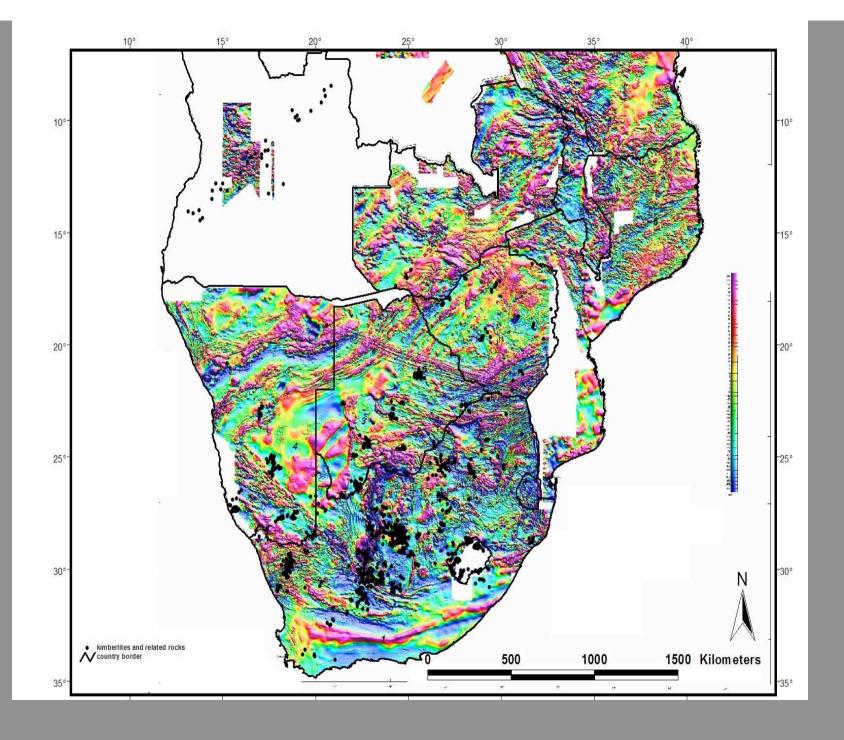
7: Anatomy of a giant impact crater using magnetic imaging (AEROMAGNETIC MAPPING)

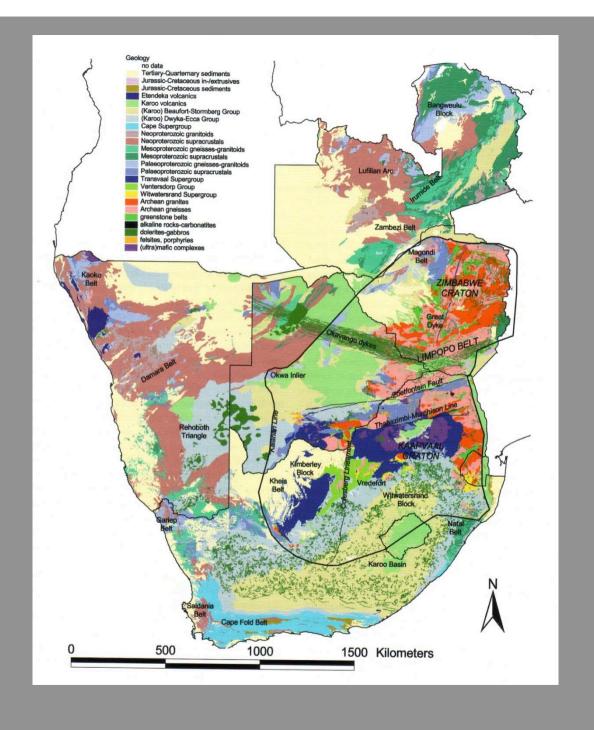
8 : Numerical analysis of aeromagnetic surveys in Southern Africa

9: Birth of Madagascar and reconstruction of its biohistory (MARINE SURVEY)

10: Young Earth: the case of the 2.7 Ga Ventersdorp volcanics

- 11: Climate Change and Mountains: orogeny of the Cape Fold Belt
- 12: Climate Change and Mountains: epeirogeny of Madagascar
- 13: Climate Change and Mountains: epeirogeny of South Africa
- 14: Intraplate seismicity in the Western Cape
- 15: Thermics et ecovalorization of abandoned goldmines
- 16: Tectonic geomorphology and climatic influence on Plio-Pleistocene hominin environments in southern Africa







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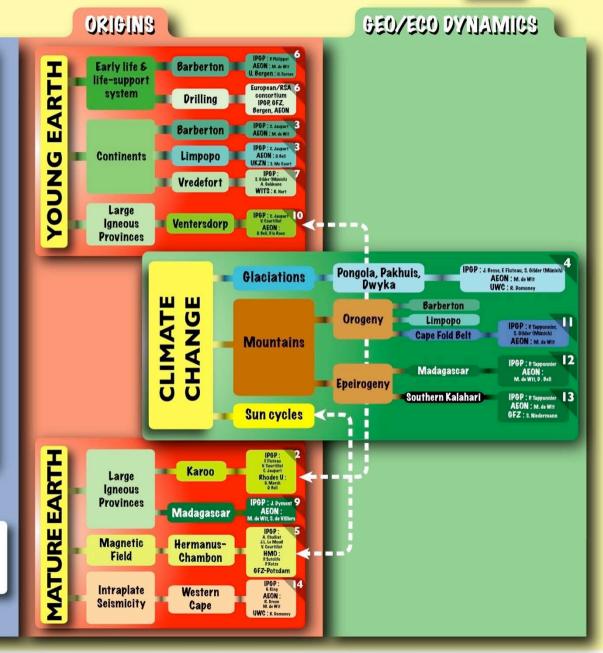




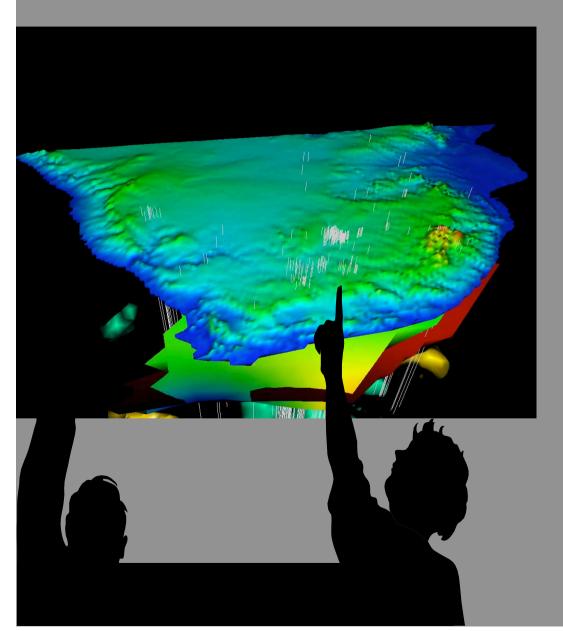


CAPACITY BUILDING

IPGP: L. Meynadier AEON: M. Tredoux



Take home message:



Capacity building to produce a new generation of South African PhD's in the Geobiosciences and related technologies is lacking for want of funding/bursaries

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project	students	Total Cost (k rands/3 yrs	Annual Cost (krands/yr	Outreachs & admin & workshop
A!	1 PhD	360	120	
A2	1 MSc	150	50	
A3	1 MSc	400	120	
A4	2 Msc	300	100	
A5	1 PhD	600	200	
A6	1 PhD	1000	330	
B1	1 PhD	500	167	
B2	0	0	0	
В3	1PhD	137	137	
B4	1 MSc	287	96	
B5	1 MSc	150	50	
B6	1 phD	600	200	
Totals 12 totals	12	4567 5 million	1413 1.6 million	150k/yr

From: Maarten De Wit [mailto:Maarten.DeWit@uct.ac.za]

Sent: 25 June 2009 09:31 AM To: Thamsanga Mathe

Cc: Bheki Hadebe Subject: Re: IKHURE Africa Project-Concept Paper and Budget

Dear Thami

Thanks so much; I am excited that this is moving forward before our !Khure workshop (July 07), because it will mean I can show to our French colleagues then that student support will be available. i will try and get this back to you by early next week.

Thank you for your hard work and interest regards maarten

- Dear Maarten
- You promised to send me your input on the Ikhure Africa Project Concept paper and budget before the end of last week, I just wanted to find out how soon do you think you will manage to send these. Like I indicated earlier, as soon as we agree and finalize the concept paper and budget I will then finalize my submission to facilitate transfer of funds.

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