

2nd CHRONOS retreat, August 2-3, 2004, and NSF site review, August 4-5, 2004, Ames

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1. Travel

The Des Moines International Airport is about 30 miles south of Ames and the nearest airport. Please make your flight reservations, shopping around for the **lowest possible economy fare**, and let us know your schedule and if you plan to rent a car using this [registration form](#). We will need this information to arrange for transportation to and from Ames for everybody. Driving directions for the airport to the hotel are available [here](#)

2. Lodging

A block of guestrooms has been reserved at The Hotel at Gateway Center, U.S. 30 and Elwood Drive (Exit 146), Ames. Please make your reservations before July 15, 2004 to guarantee a room at the special conference rate of \$69 (\$79 for double room) including breakfast at the Audubon restaurant. To make a reservation, you may contact the hotel directly at (515) 292-8600 or (800) 367-2637, or online at: <http://www.thehotelatgatewaycenter.com/sgr/> (enter the code: CHR2004).

3. Agenda

- Brief presentations of the accomplishments after the first year of funding
- Preparing for CHRONOS II
- NSF site review (for external reviewers and steering committee members only)

4. Schedule for CHRONOS Retreat

August 2-3, Iowa State University, 3140 Agronomy Hall
[Interactive map of campus](#)
All project participants and NSF representatives

4.1. August 1.

Arrival at hotel (pick-up at airport will be organized for people not renting a car)

4.2. August 2.

August 2, 8:30 AM-12:00 noon - presentations on progress of working groups during year 1:

8:30-8:40 - R. Lane: Cooperative Agreements

8:40-9:00 - D. Fils and P. Diver: IT overview ('First 3' and ontology, Portal, MyCHRONOS, Time scale databases and time-scale conversion tools, CONOP)

9:00-9:10 - J. Reed Chiron - CHRONOS web interface
9:10-9:20 - G. Bohling: ADP and other graphic correlation tools
9:20-9:30 - D. Greer: CHRONOS and GEON, First 3 and ontology
9:30-9:45 - J. Ogg: Time scale and ICS
9:45-10:00 - V. Davydov: PaleoStrat - Philosophy and Progress

10:00-10:15 Coffee break

10:15-10:30 - P. Sadler: report from the Tools workshop
10:30-10:45 - B. Wardlaw: the status of the Permian-Triassic time slice project
10:45-11:00 - P. Diver, S. Bowring, P. Renne, A. Koppers: Geochronology databases
11:00-11:15 - M. Leckie: Neptune
11:15-11:30 - B. Huber: Mesozoic planktonic foram dictionary and Paleocene foram atlas
11:30-11:40 - E. Grossman: report from the geochemical cycles workshop
11:40-11:50 - L. Hinnov: Climate cycles web site and educational resources
11:50-12:10 - C. Cervato: National and international partnerships

12:10-1:00 Catered lunch

1:00-1:20 - C. Cervato: Education and Outreach-progress and the future.

1:30-3:30 PM - Breakout group discussions: planning for year 2

Use cases and wish list for CHRONOS data: biostratigraphy & paleobiology, geochronology & the time scale, chemostratigraphy & cyclostratigraphy, what do we want to do with the working groups and workshops? What do we already know we want to do, what do we want larger community input on?

3:30-5:30 Breakout results & Discussion

August 2, 6:30 PM

Reception and Dinner at the Reiman Gardens

4.3. August 3.

August 3, 8:30 AM-12:00 PM - strategic plan for CHRONOS

AM: Develop the strategic plan for CHRONOS: purpose, mission, goals, values, task timetables, and management structure.

12-1 PM Catered lunch

1-4:00PM: Strategic plan discussion & preparation for Site Visit

4:30 PM Reception at Catt Hall hosted by LAS College

August 3 evening or August 4 morning:

Departure of project participants (not steering committee members)

5. Schedule for NSF site review

August 4-5, Iowa State University, 3140 Agronomy Hall

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Steering committee members, IT team, NSF external review panel, and NSF representatives

August 3, afternoon

Arrival of external reviewers

6:00-7:00 PM - External reviewers and NSF staff meeting (The Gateway Hotel – Conference Room #1)

5.1. August 4.

August 4, 8:00 AM-12:00 noon - Formal presentations

8:00-8:15 - C. Cervato: CHRONOS management structure

8:15-8:45 - D. Fils: CHRONOS system architecture

8:45-9:00 - J. Ogg: Time scale, CHRONOS and ICS

9:00-9:15 - P. Sadler: CHRONOS tools, present and future

9:15-9:30 - B. Wardlaw: The Permian/Triassic time slice project

9:30-9:40 - B. Huber: Mesozoic planktonic foraminifer dictionary

9:40-9:50 - E. Grossman: Geochemical cycles workshop report

9:50-10:05 - C. Cervato: National and international partnerships and interactions

10:05-10:25 - C. Cervato: Education and outreach

10:25-10:40 coffee break

10:40-12:00 - Internal discussion between external review panel and NSF representatives

12:00-1:00 PM Catered lunch

1:00-4:00 PM - Demonstrations

D. Fils and P. Diver: Portal, databases, and web services

J. Reed: Chiron, CHRONOS's web interface

D. Greer: The ontology of the first 3, GeonGRID and CHRONOS

G. Bohling: Age/Depth Plotting software

D. Fils and P. Sadler: CONOP 9 web services

L. Hinnov: Climate Cycles web site

Visit of CHRONOS central hub facilities

4:00-5:00 PM - Panelists prepare questions for steering committee

5.2. August 5.

August 5

8:00-9:00 AM - Steering committee members answer questions of panelists

9:00-9:30 AM - Meeting with ISU administrators (Associate Provost Dave Holger, Associate VP for Research Wolfgang Kliemann, LAS Dean Mike Whiteford, LAS Associate Dean Dave Oliver, Dr. Carl Jacobson)

Departure of steering committee members

10:00 AM-5:00 PM - External reviewers prepare report for NSF

6. Reimbursement Guidelines

Please fill out this [form](#), attach all original receipts, and mail to Cinzia Cervato, Iowa State University, 253 Science I, Ames, IA 50011-3212.