

2nd SwissDrilling Day, September 9, 2015, Bern

On September 9, 2015, the 2nd SwissDrilling Day was held in Bern. This joint IODP/ICDP meeting provided a platform for Swiss-based scientists to share their experiences and future plans in ocean and continental drilling.



Especially for early-career scientists, the meeting presented an opportunity to develop contacts, as well as to learn how to become an active member of the international scientific drilling community. About 40 participants from all Swiss academic institutions attended the meeting.



The programme included oral presentations of ongoing scientific drilling related research, and reports on future drilling projects and perspectives for new drilling proposals. The presentations covered a broad range of topics from paleoclimate and paleoceanography, over biosphere frontiers to earth dynamics and hazards.

One highlight of the meeting was the skype live chat with Daniel Ariztegui from the IODP workshop on the Argentine Passive Volcanic Continental Margin, held at the same time in Buenos Aires. Daniel could provide some first-hand insights into the workshop's objections and progress. Thanks to all the high quality contributions from members of the Swiss scientific drilling community, the annual meeting can be considered a great success.

