



6th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE "MINERALOGICAL MUSEUMS"

1. The speech of G.A. Yurgenson was devoted to the investigation carried out by Professor V.F. Barabanov and his followers on Sherlovaya Gora deposit, the famous mineral locality in Baikal region.
2. Participants of the Conference are listening to the speeches with interest.
3. A.G. Bulakh, the Chairman of the Commission on New Minerals, Nomenclature and Classification of Minerals of Russian Mineralogical Society of the RAS is presenting the certification to discoverer of new minerals, A.A. Zolotarev, Jr.
4. Presidium of the Conference - I.V. Buldakov, the dean of Geological faculty; G.F. Anasenko, the director of the Mineralogical museum of Mineralogy department; V.G. Krivovichev, the chairman of the Chair of Mineralogy.
5. Andrey G. Bulakh (the Chair of Mineralogy, St. Petersburg State University).
6. I.I. Kupriyanova (VIMS, Moscow) and L.R. Kolbantsev (Chernyshov Geological museum, St. Petersburg) are discussing problems of provincial Museums.
7. *Mineralogical Almanac* table with publications on mineralogy.
8. S.V. Krivovichev and I.V. Pekov are discussing joint projects.
9. W. Depmeier (Christian-Albrecht University, Kiel, Germany).
10. Participants of the section "Mineralogical Museums" after the session (*from left to right*),
1st line: N.A. Mokhova, N.L. Smirnova, G.F. Anasenko, S.I. Petrussenko – a well-known Bulgarian mineralogist, S.N. Nenasheva, L.R. Zhdanova, I.I. Kupriyanova, N.V. Skorobogatova;
2nd line: T.G. Petrov, L.A. Volkonskaya, V.A. Nesterovskiy, L.R. Kolbantsev, S.I. Ploskova, B.I. Kidyarov.

The 500 meter corridor is a decoration of St. Petersburg State University. It has huge Italian windows, statues and portraits of great scientists and bookcases of the University library that create the unique University atmosphere.

Seventy-three bookcases of the corridor were filled with mineral specimens of the Mineralogical museum in 1863.

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The 6th International conference "Mineralogical Museums" was held June 17 through 20, 2008 at St. Petersburg State University (SPbSU). The Chair of Mineralogy of Geological faculty organized the meeting. For the sixth time, starting from 1996, curators of museums of Natural Sciences, mineralogists, crystallographers, geologists from Russia and other countries participated in the Conference. The Conference this time was dedicated to the memory of outstanding mineralogist Professor Vladimir F. Barabanov (1918–1997), who was alumni and staff member of the Chair of Mineralogy for a long time. He was a co-founder and the first chairman of the Chair of Geochemistry in SPbSU. Vladimir Fedorovich was also a passionate mineral collector. Thanks to him a lot of specimens from different localities came to the museum collection of the Chair of Mineralogy.

The 6th Conference was organized by the Chair of Mineralogy of SPbSU together with Christian-Albrecht University (Kiel, Germany). 267 specialists from Russia (St. Petersburg, Moscow, Novosibirsk, Apatity, Vladivostok, Yekaterinburg, Zmeinogorsk, Irkutsk, Kazan, Krasnotur'insk, Krasnoyarsk, Magadan, Miass, Mirnyi, Novosibirsk, Syktyvkar, Tomsk, Che-

