UiB’s newest Centre of Excellence, the Centre for Geobiology has an exciting research cruise planned again for summer 2008.

The cruise is divided into 3 parts. Please see the map to the right for approximate locations and see the table below for dates and activities.

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| 1  02.07-19.07  | Tromsø       | Bodø         | Hydrothermal vents  
Exploration: using better equipment to build on last year’s preliminary results for finding new hydrothermal vent locations  
Activities: coring, mapping, CTD’s, ROV |
| 2  19.07-29.07  | Bode         | Trondheim    | Hydrothermal vents  
Sampling: recovery of natural laboratories set out in 2006,  
Activities: sampling, coring, mapping, ROV |
| 3  29.07-10.08  | Trondheim    | Trondheim    | Methane seeps  
Exploring, mapping, sampling  
What is making the pockmarks? The pingos?  
Will such natural phenomena be a future energy source? |

*dates are given as approximate and will be finalised closer to cruise time

GEOBIO 2008 will be aboard the G.O.Sars, Norway’s newest state-of-the-art research vessel. The research team includes students and scientists from a variety of disciplines including geology, geochemistry, biology and microbiology.
• Participants are expected to contribute to the Public Outreach effort for the Centre for Geobiology. This involves contributing to the daily journal on the web (text and images, Norwegian AND English – parallel pages), and researching and writing “backgrounders” and “interviews”.

• Participants are invited to participate wherever possible – sample collection and documentation, data recording, … The cruise travels above the 60th where the midnight sun makes it possible to work around the clock when necessary!

• The Centre will cover travel costs and the cost of the required sea-medical.

Interested? While an appropriate scientific background is an asset, the most important requirement is an enthusiastic commitment to Public Outreach.

Please complete the application form below (Norwegian or English) and send to Elinor.Bartle@bio.uib.no by 30 April 2008

Application to participate in GEOBIO 2008 – deadline for applications 30.04.2008

Name:
e-mail:
phone:
Registry number:

study programme / employment:

relevant training / experience:

language skills (circle one): can write in Norwegian can write in English can write in both

Which part would you like to participate in (please select one first choice and one second choice)?:
First choice: part one part two part three
Second choice: part one part two part three

brief description of reason you would like to participate (~500 words):