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## DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

### **18 DECEMBER: CHRISTMAS MEETING**

The next PGK meeting will be the Christmas Meeting, on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> of December. As usual, social hour (free drinks) between 17:00 and 18:00 hrs. A lecture will be given by **Mervin Frumau** (AGIP KCO) with the title:

### **“From Amsterdam to Beijing on bike ”**

*Please see other side of this newsletter for the lecture abstract.*

*After the lecture the **PGK Christmas Buffet**. Confirmation of your attendance is required. Please let us know at the E-mail address: [secretary@pgknet.nl](mailto:secretary@pgknet.nl)*

### **UPCOMING PGK ACTIVITIES**

**22 January:** Lecture: “Depositional and tectonic control over the Apulian Platform Margin: Maiella - Italy” – Mauro Foglietta, PanTerra Geoconsulting BV

### **Silver Jubilee**

In 2003 the *Petroleum Geological Circle* (PGK) celebrates its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Since its foundation, our society has grown from a small, local society to a large, healthy and active organisation with nearly 400 members from the national and international E&P and geoscience community.

To make 2003 a memorable year we organize an anniversary program to be held on February 19, in the “Hotel de Indes”. It will be opened by the Annual Meeting, which is traditionally held in February, followed by addresses of national and international speakers on the past and future of the E&P industry. The meeting will be closed with a dinner for members and their partners.

*Please keep a close look at the PGK website or the January Newsletter for further details.*

### **Next year lectures**

The remaining monthly meetings will each be adopted by an operator or institution, in an effort to make these meetings something special. The year will be closed at the December Meeting, traditionally an occasion where members come together for the Christmas Buffet.

### **JOB POSTING SERVICE**

On our web site at [www.pgknet.nl](http://www.pgknet.nl) a new job vacancy has been posted. Please have a look if you are interested.



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**Address:** KIVI building, Prinsessegracht 23, Den Haag  
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## **“From Amsterdam to Beijing on bike”**

MERVIN FRUMAU

AGIP KCO

The Alpine mountain chains stretch from Europe to China. Huge land masses collided to form some of the most fascinating landscapes. The sea did not split open here, ancient oceans disappeared completely, and where once was water nowadays billions of people are living in the most diverse cultures. And so the cyclist said: “this is the promised land where we will cycle”.

But this is of course the easiest part. After a simple remark, people will be needed to carry out the job. In this case a geologist, a hydrologist, a meteorologist and a business economist. Four different persons looking at each others rear wheels for more than a year. Landscapes changed, people changed, food and the most basic principles of communication changed, even they themselves changed, but the quality of the rubber from the rear wheel did not seem to change at all.

What also changed were the plans. The trip brought them through Eastern Europe via Turkey to Iran. But why do people start a military coup to prevent them from cycling through their country? They decided to jump to South India and found out that changing of plans is a good thing. It makes you more pragmatic and you discover that the coup in Pakistan actually had nothing to do with you. Less selfish and extremely social they left the muslim world, only to become mentally hardened and impudent in beautiful India and Nepal. Of course they did not like the Chinese to ask them for so much money to enter Tibet. They did fly again, to Hong Kong this time, to continue their trip on their conditions. A couple of months later in China, after many confrontations the smart cyclists changed again. Because smart they became. They started seeing things differently, and they looked back at a fantastic experience. Then, it was time to go home.

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