Reef communities from the Devonian:

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One of the latest projects accepted and granted by the national committee of the Austrian Academy of Sciences (ESS/ÖAW) is a subproject of IGCP 596 and deals with conodont biostratigraphy and occurrence data of Mid-Paleozoic corals in Mongolia and Europe. Within the frame of that project, results from the taxonomic investigation of rugose coral faunas from the Carnic Alps and the Graz Palaeozoic shall be compared with coral data from western Mongolia.



Thomas Suttner

During the last five years, he was project-leader of FWF P 23775-B17, and responsible for the investigation of climatic development at the Eifelian-Givetian boundary (Middle Devonian) and the influence of climate change on tropical coral communities. As co-project leader of IGCP 596, he organized several meetings and workshops together with Erika Kido, which often ended up with an excursion to the Palaeozoic sequence of the Carnic Alps.

Presently, he is working on conodont communities from the Middle Devonian shallow marine sequence of the Carnic Alps, and on the reconstruction of Devonian palaeotemperatures (Method: oxygen isotopes of the PO4-group of conodont apatite).

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