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Laurent Labeyrie wins EGU Hans Oeschger Medal 2005

The French scientist Laurent Labeyrie has won the prestigious EGU Hans Oeschger Medal for his contribution to Quaternary palaeoclimatology, based on isotopic measurements on deep-sea cores and for his key role in the International Marine Global Change Study (IMAGES).

This medal has been established by the EGU Division on Climate in recognition of the scientific achievement of Hans Oeschger. It is reserved for scientists for their outstanding achievements in ice research and/or short term climatic changes.

IMAGES offers a strategy to improve our knowledge about the causes and consequences of rapid climatic change by detailed analyses of high resolution paleoclimatic records obtained from ocean sediments. Laurent Labeyrie has been instrumental both in the launching of the IMAGES programme and in its overall success. This success is based on nearly 1000 cores, 30 to 60 m long, collected from the major ocean basins thanks to the French research vessel "Marion Dufresne".

Laurent Labeyrie is a professor at the Département de Physique, Université de Versailles-St Quentin in France.

Professor Labeyrie will accept his medal and give a lecture, titled: 'Interactions between Atmosphere Dynamic, Continental Albedo and Ocean Circulation as driver of the millenial climate variability' at the EGU General Assembly, to be held in Vienna, Austria from 24 – 29 april. The lecture starts at 19.00, on the 28th of April.

links

Prof. Labeyrie's lecture:

http://www.cosis.net/abstracts/EGU05/11127/EGU05-A-11127.pdf The EGU prize winners: <u>http://www.copernicus.org/EGU/awards/general.html</u> The EGU General Assembly: <u>http://www.copernicus.org/EGU/ga/egu05/</u>