Department of Earth Science

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Outline:

- Department structure and education
- Some ongoing projects
- New initiatives



Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences

7 departments (from 2018):

Department of Biological Sciences (BIO)

Department of Earth Science (GEO)

Geophysical Institute

Department of Physics and Technology

Department of Chemistry

Department of Mathematics

Department of Informatics





Research groups

- 1. Geodynamics
- 2. Basin and Reservoir Studies
- 3. Geochemistry and Geobiology
- 4. Quaternary Earth Systems

Technical groups

- Field & Cruise activities
- Laboratories

Host or partner of several research centre



Department of Earth Science (GEO)





MSc – annual canidate output:



Year



Batchelor's program in Earth Science:





Key research areas - Basin and Reservoir Studies



10 prof / assoc. prof17 postdocs/researchers13 PhD candidates44 MSc students



- Sedimentary and tectonic processes, and architecture
- Seismic: modelling, processing, inversion, rock physics, interpretation, reservoir characterization
- Subsurface mapping of energy potentials (hydrocarbons and heat) and possible sequestration of greenhouse gases

- Facilitation of a large scale arctic seismic laboratory
- ... and more.



Key research areas - Geodynamics group



12 Profs / Assoc. Profs 23 post doc's / PhD's 12 MSc students

- Passive margin research
- Marine geophysics passive margins
- Orogenic belts and exhumation histories
- Modelling lithosphere tectonics
- Tectonic morphology
- Seismology
- Norwegian national seismic network



Source-to-Sink of the Triassic Barents Sea William Helland-Hansen and Christian Haug Eide - Petromax



Statoil: Source-to-Sink scaling Relationships William Helland-Hansen and Rob Gawthorpe - Statoil



Tubidites, Topography and Techtonics - T³ project Gawthorpe et al. - Statoil





Syn-Rift Systems Project Rob Gawthorpe - Petromaks





IODP Expedition 381: Corint rift development UiB participants: Rob Gawthorpe, Casey Nixon, Sofia Pechlivanidou



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• New proposed project - building on IODP core, focusing on deep-water syn-rift depositional systems and factors controlling them based on acquisition of multi-beam bathymetry and high resolution seismic data



Caracterization & modelling of geothermal reservoirs Atle Rotevatn et al. – Norwegian Research Council, BKK, Statoil



Structure and evolution of normal faults in rifts Atle Rotevatn et al. – Norwegian Research Council and industry

Deformation bands as reservoir heterogeneity Atle Rotevatn et al. – Norwegian Research Council and industry



Faults, fractures and fluid flow in carbonate rocks Atle Rotevatn et al. – VISTA and industry





Key controls on HC seal and leakage in the Barents Sea Atle Rotevatn et al. – DEA



Forecasting arcitechture, seismic characterization and flow behaviour in paleocarst reservoirs Jan Tveranger (UniCIPR), Stein-Erik Lauritsen and Isabelle Lecomte - Norwegian Research Council





Electromagnetic geophysical methods for exploration, geosteering and IOR Morten Jakobsen, IRIS – part of KNP project, industry



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Bayesian inversion of 4D seismic waveform data for quantitative integration with production data Morten Jakobsen, IRIS - Petromaks



Subsurface studies: North Sea structure

(d) Phase I - 14.0%



Field analogue studies: Suez Rift, Egypt

Numerical modelling studies: Fault geometry and density

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R. Huismans et al.



Geodynamic modeling mountain belt formation and sedimentation R. Huismans et al.



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Arctic Geophysical Laboratory Tor Arne Johansen et al. ENI, Statoil, ARCEx, Norwegian Research Council





ARCEx – WP4: New environmental-friendly exploration methods Tor Arne Johansen et al & NTNU – NRC, ARCEx-sponsors



CASE v1.0 National consortium for CASE-based Research and Education – Lundin, Total and VNG



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Geophysical signatures of burial and uplift (The Barens Sea) Tor Arne Johansen et al. – OMV – ARCEx WP4



New initiatives – GEO competence areas

- Sedimentology
- Structural geology
- Seismic
- Electromagnetics
- Integrated methods

aiming for

- Improved G&G exploration models
- Static and dynamic reservoir characterization
- Improved education (SFU, digital learning,...)



New initiatives: SFI initiative: Centre for Spatial Innovation in Earth Science

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GEO Partner Seminar 08 February 2018

New initiatives:

Full Waveform Inversion (PhD) project at UiB Henk Keers, UiB – invites for sponsors

- Develop and compare two fast full waveform inversion algorithms
- Sensitivity study of waveform inversion algorithm (uncertainties in velocity model, noise in data etc.)
- Applications include sub-salt imaging (for example in Barents Sea)





Reminder:





Some causes:



- Lower activity
- Status of petroleum science is downgraded
- Most successful G & G field course Svalex closed
- Field course in Marine Geophysics closed
- Has G & G integration gone to far (in academia)?





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Instituttleder Egil Tjåland ved Institutt for geovitenskap og petroleum, NTNU. Foto: Ronny Setså

Lurer ungdommen

Egil Tjåland ved Institutt for geovitenskap og petroleum ved NTNU leder i verste fall ungdom inn på et studium som gir svært få jobber.

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Challenge - Environmental issues



Picture from http://www.earthsky.org



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Example



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New initiative:

CASE 2.0 Consortium for Arctic Seismic Exploration:



"Research, education and innovation on use of geophysical methods for exploring a wider range of subsurface properties of specific importance for geoscience in Arctic"

Field and data driven geophysical research focusing on

- geophysical signatures of geological processes
- technology
- heat flux monitoring
- integration of EM, GPR, seismic data

Toolbox: Infrastructure of Arctic Seismic Laboratory and ongoing master/PhD education at UNIS

Sponsors who has signed in: Lundin, Total, AkerBP - several about to enter



More to be discussed during panel sessions tomorrow!

