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Activity report for the period 1/2001 to 8/2002

- This is the fourth report from the current officers of the WG officers. Previous reports since the IMA in 1998 have covered the periods 09/98 to 10/99, 11/99 to 12/00 and 1/00 to 12/01.
- Prof Rankin and Prof Buehn will have completed their four years of service as officers of the group at the time of the next WG business meeting during IMA 2002 in Edinburgh. This will take place on Thursday 5 September at 1420hrs in Carrick Room 3 of the conference centre when new officers will be appointed. The following nominations have been received;

Chair: Prof Li Zhaolin China;

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- The Session on Solid and Fluid Inclusions in Minerals organised by the WG (Convenors: Profs Rankin and Buehn) as part of IMA 2002 in Edinburgh in September is well supported with 6 oral 7 poster presentations. Prof Touret, past chairman of the WG will present the Keynote address..
- The WG has been very active in China over the past year under the leadership of the vice-Chairman Prof Li Zhaolin. Prof Zhaolin reports that that the WG co-sponsored a successful National Conference on Fluid Inclusions and Geo-Fluids, in Wuhan in October, 2000, with 42 contributions published in a special issue of *Acta Petrologica Sinica*. A series of invited seminars were delivered by Dr I-Ming Chou of the USGS at Zhongshan University and Guangzhou Institute of Geochemistry, Chinese Academy of Science from 29 May to 5 June, 2002. The seminars, organised by Prof Li Zhaolin under the auspices of the WG, attracted some 100 attendees and covered such topics as; hydrothermal experiments in diamond anvil cells, methane clathrates, ice stability fields and metal-sulphate-hydrate minerals.
- The WG (through Prof Li Zhaolin) is also co-sponsoring the forthcoming meeting on Inclusions in Minerals and Geofluids to be held in mid-October in Nanjing University.
- The WG (through Prof A Rankin as a member of the scientific advisory panel)) will also contribute to the next biennial meeting of European Current Research on Inclusions in Minerals to be held at the the University of Budapest from 4-9 June 2003.

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