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Preface

This volume arises from two international meetings held at Chilworth Manor, Southampton, 9–12 September 1994 and at the Geological Society of London, 13 September 1994. The first was organized by the INQUA Commission on Global Continental Palaeohydrology (GLOCOPH) and the second by the Commission in conjunction with the British Geomorphological Research Group. The meetings each brought together researchers from a wide variety of disciplines to discuss research in global palaeohydrological change over the last 20 000 years. They were the first to be held as an integral part of the INQUA Commission.

The papers in this volume are organized into three sections. The first provides an overview of the context in which palaeohydrology is studied and researched, the second reflects the approaches to palaeohydrological analysis in a number of contrasting geographical regions and the third discusses a possible future for palaeohydrology.

We are very grateful to the many people who helped to organize and finance the meetings and to prepare the manuscripts, and we particularly acknowledge the assistance of those scientists who refereed the papers in this volume, and of Caroline Ensor at Goldsmiths' College. Palaeohydrology is now recognized as an important multidisciplinary area of research and we hope that this volume reflects the present achievements and provides the basis for more significant advances.

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