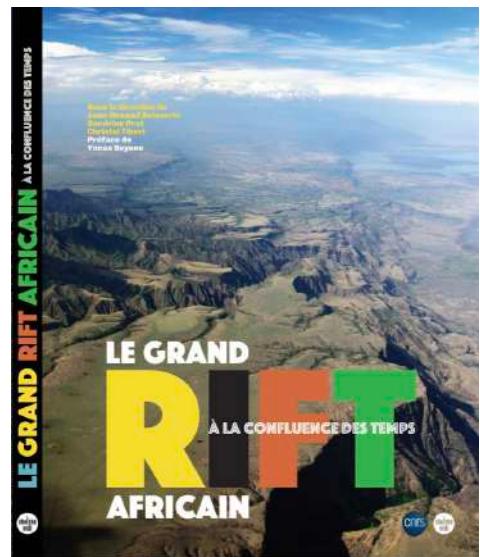


Book – The Great African Rift at the crossroads of time

Objectives

- Create an interdisciplinary dynamic within the GDR through joint work on texts combining several disciplinary fields
- To highlight the importance of the Great Rift (environments, resources, societies, heritage)
- Promote the research developed in the African Rift by the CNRS and affiliated teams to the general and institutional public
- Assessing the state of interdisciplinary research in the Great Rift and looking to the future

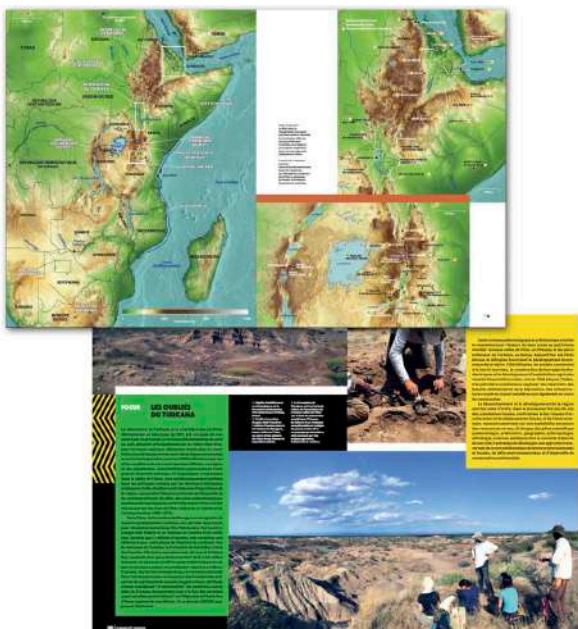


Achievements

- *Le Grand Rift Africain à la confluence des temps*, 16/11/2023 book of 175 p.
- Launch symposium, CNRS & Collège de France, November 2023

Budget & operations

- Funded by CNRS Écologie & Environnement, CNRS Terre & Univers, CNRS Sciences humaines & sociales (3000 copies pre-ordered, 18 €/unit)
- Edited by J.-R. Boisserie, S. Prat, C. Tiberi; texts and illustrations by 55 contributors
- Editions Le Cherche-Midi (proofreading, layout, editing, printing, distribution)
- Symposium of the same name funded by MITI, CNRS Écologie & Environnement, Collège de France, GDR Rift, DEI projects *Intertek* and *Regards croisés*, Univ. Montpellier
- Sponsorship Y. Coppens and F.-X. Fauvette
- 15 presentations for the general public and a round table



Reflective assessment

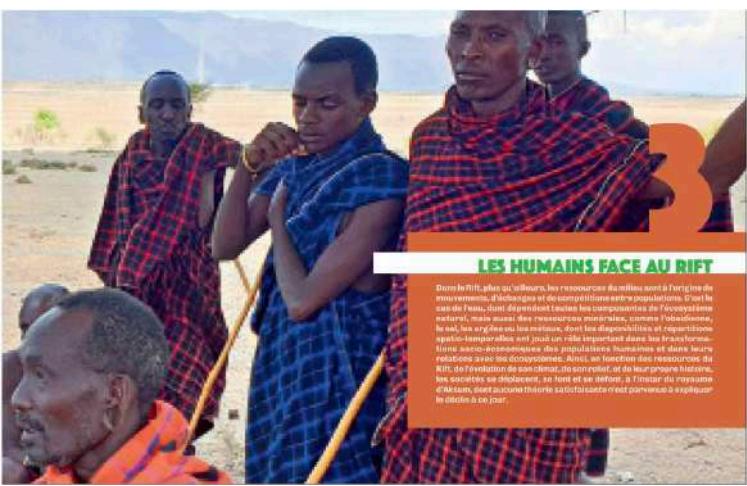
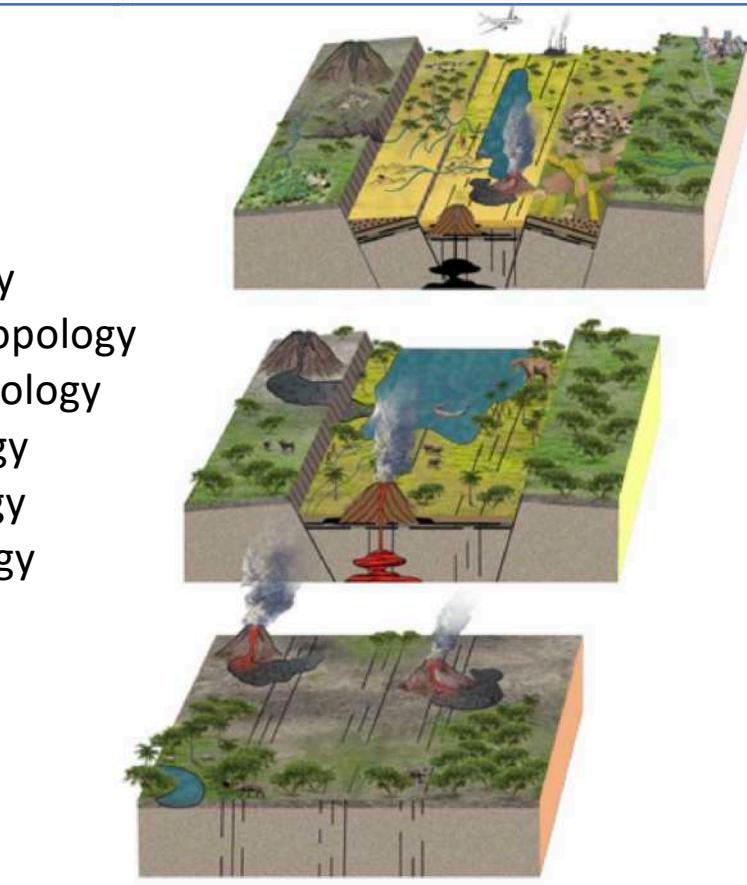
- Objectives achieved, but forward-looking approach limited to the conference
- Considerable time investment for contributors
- The CNRS could make better use of its stock of books
- Translation into English envisaged for distribution in the Rift countries
- Take advantage of the opportunity to increase contributions from African colleagues (only five contributors from the Rift countries in the French version).

Book – The Great African Rift (additional)

DISCIPLINES INVOLVED

anthropology
archaeology
Scientific-drawing
Science-didactics
ecology
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geography
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geophysics

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LINKS TO THE SYMPOSIUM PRESENTATIONS

Introduction

17 November

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