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During this conference, I met my scientific friends, heard the work of others, discussed with colleagues from the world. I enjoyed the conference thoroughly. In the part of the keynote lecture, the discourse of Prof. D. BRUNSDEN made a deep impression on me. In his speech, he showed us some excellent pictures of the sea floor and presents a lot of new way of studying a sea floor. His speech inspired me to use the new way to find and investigate the arid and semi-arid geomorphology.

In the oral session of the aeolian systems and arid geomorphology, I presented my own work and received the feedback. This was a valuable experience for me. Simultaneously, the speech of Prof. P. HESSE on vegetation and sand transport response to variable rainfall, the speech of Prof. M. BOURKE on fog-induced slumping in a hyper-arid dunefield and the speech of Prof. M. WILLIAMS on the application of OSL and radiocarbon dating gave me a deep impression and taught me a lot of things.

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