## Symposium on Palaeontological Preparation and Conservation 2020

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We thank you for your cooperation and are looking forward to welcoming you to what will no doubt be a fantastic symposium.

Kind regards,

The #SPPC2020 Organising Committee and Geological Curators' Group

