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In 2005 Jürgen Runge from Goethe University, Frankfurt, Germany, took over the editorship of the series. Assisted by Routledge and Taylor & Francis Publishers PoA was restarted in 2007 with its 28th volume and new conception and modern layout (also availability as an e-book). The editorial board of the series was restructured allowing to profit from the scientific input and expertise of other dynamic colleagues interested in the topic.

The series main title was changed to “Palaeoecology of Africa - International Yearbook of Landscape Evolution and Palaeoenvironments”. The goals of “Palaeoecology of Africa” are to provide insights and broad overviews of landscape evolution, palaeoenvironments and assessments of the general ecological, environmental and landscape features of various ecosystems in Africa by contributions from an equitably distributed international authorship, while maintaining high academic standards. The alignment and scope of the ‘new’ PoA strongly focuses on geographical and landscape aspects (see www.crcpress.com/browse/series/poa/ for recently published volumes 28-32).

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