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International Association of Geomorphologists IAG

New IAG National Scientific Members

The IAG warmly welcomes two new IAG National Scientific Members.

It is our pleasure to announce that:

- the *Egyptian Society of Environmental Change (ESEC)* was accepted as the IAG National Scientific Member of **Egypt**, and
- the *Institute of Geography and Geoecology (IGG), Mongolian Academy of Sciences* was accepted as the IAG National Scientific Member of **Mongolia**.

All current IAG National Scientific Members (NSMs) are listed [here](#).

Information from the latest IAG Executive Committee Meeting

On 25 April 2023 the IAG Executive Committee (EC) convened in a hybrid format during the EGU General Assembly 2023 in Vienna. Please find here a short summary of selected points discussed during the EC meeting:

- IAG strategy to foster a more proactive NSM membership as well as new initiatives focussing on increasing the awareness of IAG membership importance and benefits,
- IAG enlarges its Global Geosites Committee for the nomination of geomorphological sites for the second edition of the 100 IUGS Geological Heritage Sites,
- IAG membership in the IUGS Deep-time Digital Earth (DDE) programme,
- IAG strategy of future activities and collaborations between IAG and AGU as well as between IAG and GSA.

The complete minutes of the EC meeting can be found [here](#).

New strategy and priorities related to IAG NSMs

Currently, the IAG comprises 65 countries, grouped in NSMs by either individual countries or regional associations. The Executive Committee has decided that prospecting for new members should be a priority, while at the same time, the already existing members should be convinced to develop even more proactive memberships as well as new initiatives focussing on increasing the awareness of membership importance and benefits. Based on that decision the following strategic points will be elaborated in the near future: (i) Collecting information on geomorphology communities around the world, (ii) Define IAG membership benefits and expectations, (iii) Define new initiatives and invite NSMs to coordinate/contribute, (iv) Dedicate regular time to communication, (v) Strengthen the collaborative environment for YGs, (vi) Organize a “field trip around the world”, linking IAG NSMs worldwide and promoting the importance of geomorphic research and services to nature and society.

Update on IAG RCG 2023 in Cappadocia, Türkiye



The Organising Committee of the IAG Regional Conference on Geomorphology in Cappadocia, Türkiye is pleased to announce that in total 175 abstracts from 32 different countries have been submitted to the conference. The full programme will be published very soon on the conference [website](#). The programme includes thematic sessions, three invited keynote presentations, one IAG Council meeting and social events. All pre-and post conference field trips are already fully booked. A two-day intensive course for Young Geomorphologists focussing on “High resolution mapping and cosmogenic dating of fluvial landforms” will take place directly after the conference. The IAG allocated 11 grants of in total 7300 Euros to support the participation of Young Geomorphologists from countries worldwide. The IAG and the Turkish Society for Geomorphology is looking forward to welcoming you in the fascinating environment of Cappadocia. Registration for the conference is still possible until 30 July [here](#).



IAG Grants for Young Geomorphologists

The IAG supported one Young Geomorphologist with a grant of 300 Euros to participate in the European Meeting of Young Geomorphologists in Chamonix-Mont-Blanc, France in June 2023. Please find the report of the IAG grant holder [here](#).

The participation of two Young Geomorphologists in the Permafrost Young Researchers Network (PYRN) Workshop at the 6th European Conference on Permafrost (EUCOP 2023) in Spain this June was supported by two IAG grants of 350 Euros. Reports of the grant holders will be published very soon on the [IAG website](#).

11th IAG ICG 2026 in New Zealand / Save the date!

The Local Organising Committee looks forward to welcoming you to Christchurch, New Zealand



for the International Conference on Geomorphology, 9–13 February 2026. Tectonically-active, in the 'Roaring 40s' and geologically-young, Aotearoa New Zealand offers world-class geomorphology with some of the world's fastest rates of uplift and erosion. Please save the conference dates and stay updated through the event [website](#) and twitter #IAG2026NZ.

IAG HIGHLIGHTS

DGGM Meeting 2023

Deutsche Gesellschaft für Geomorphologie e.V.



The German Society for Geomorphology (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Geomorphologie–DGGM) is organising its National Meeting from 4 to 6 October 2023 in Aachen, Germany. The programme will include 2.5 days with scientific presentations followed by a half-day excursion and a meeting of the German Young Geomorphologists. More information on this upcoming event is available [here](#).

IAG auspices for the 17th East Eurasia International Workshop



The IAG is pleased to auspice the 17th East Eurasia International Workshop (EEIW) which will take place from 8 to 12 October 2023 in Kunming, China. Under the topic “Present Earth Surface Processes and Long-term Environmental Changes in East Eurasia” the 2023 EEIW aims to present a recent achievement to foster the exchange of information and knowledge, as well as research networking in the Asian-Western Pacific Regions. The workshop will be held in a hybrid format, allowing both on-site and online presentations/participation. The deadline for registration and abstract submission is 1 August. All further information can be found [here](#).

35th National Conference of the Institute of Indian Geomorphologist (IGI)

The 35th National Conference of the Institute of Indian Geomorphologists (IGI) will be held at the Jawaharlal Nehru University campus in New Delhi, India, 25–27 November 2023. Under the focal theme “Geomorphology, Environment and Management” the conference will provide an open platform to all scholars of geography and allied disciplines addressing related issues. More information will follow soon [here](#).



In commemoration of Professor Avijit Gupta

The geomorphological community has lost an exceptional geomorphologist and a remarkable personality. Prof. Avijit Gupta passed away on 22 May 2023. He was at the time Honorary Principal Fellow in the School of Earth, Atmospheric and Life Sciences, Wollongong, Australia. He made a significant contribution to IAG by hosting the IAG Regional Conference in Singapore in 1995. From 1993 to 1997 he was editor of the IAG Newsletter and from 1997 to 2009 he served as Chair of the IAG Working Group on Large Rivers. He will be missed by a large number of friends and colleagues. Please find a published obituary, written by Gerald C. Nanson and Colin D. Woodroffe, University of Wollongong, [here](#).

Latest IAG Working Group activities

- Five sessions at the [EGU 2023](#) were co-sponsored by IAG and (co-)organised by IAG WGs. IAG highly appreciates these activities and invites all WGs to increase them further.
- The IAG WG on [Tectonic Geomorphology](#) has been organising a series of [online webinars](#) since March. The organisers are pleased to announce that the last webinar in July will feature Dr. Griffin, Australia. The presentation titled “Late Quaternary Slip Rates for the Hyde and Dunstan Faults, Southern New Zealand: Implications for Strain Migration and the Earthquake Cycle” promises to be another enlightening event. The organisers are grateful for the success of all previous webinars and would like to express their sincere thank you to all speakers: Dr. Vassilakis, Greece for his insightful “Presentation of the evolution of the supra-detachment “Messara basin” (Crete, Greece) based on field work and tectonic geomorphology techniques”, Dr. Jara-Muñoz, Germany for his captivating talk on “Coastal Geomorphic Markers: Advances and Applications to Elucidate Tectonic Mechanisms and Rates”, Dr. Yildirim, Türkiye, for his engaging presentation on “Tectonic Geomorphology of Türkiye (Anatolia): Where Continents Subduct, Collide, and Escape,” and Professor Dr. Della Seta and Dr. Delchiaro, Italy for their joint presentation on “The Role of Tectonic Uplift and Landscape Evolution in Mass Rock Creep Deforming Slopes: Case Studies from Zagros Mountains (Iran),” which was well-received.

The Geological Society of America Connects Meeting 2023



Join the annual meeting of the Geological Society of America from 15 to 18 October in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA for cutting-edge technical sessions, outstanding professional education, and inclusive networking opportunities. The conference will take place under this year’s themes: “Diverse Science for a Sustainable Future” and “Climate and Energy Transition”. Abstract submission closes on 25 July 2023. All information can be found [here](#).

AGU AGU Fall Meeting 2023

Under this year’s meeting theme “Wide. Open. Science” the [#AGU23](#) Fall meeting will be back in San Francisco, California, USA. The meeting is scheduled from 11 to 15 December and will foster collaboration in a hybrid model capitalizing on both in-person and virtual participation. Abstract submission deadline is on 2 August.

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