

IAG HIGHLIGHTS

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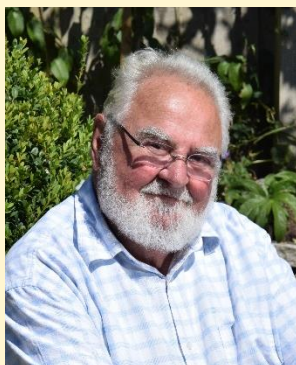
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In memory of Professor Denys Brunsten

With great sadness we inform that Professor Denys Brunsten, one of the founders of the International Association of Geomorphologists and the first IAG President (1989–1993), passed away on 25 January 2024. Denys was Professor at King's College in London, UK, from which he then retired to his cottage in Dorset, close to large complex landslides which were central to his professional career. He will be remembered as a brilliant visionary scientist, author of a range of highly influential publications, but also as a great promotor of international collaboration in geomorphology and supporter of early career scientists. He was Honorary Fellow of the IAG and one of the IAG prizes was named after him (Brunsten Medal). An obituary written by P. Migoń will soon be published on the IAG website.



Courtesy of P. Migoń

International Geomorphology Week 2024

From 1st to 7th March the [International Geomorphology Week](#) took place for the fourth time in a row. The aim of the International Geomorphology Week is to promote geomorphology in all its forms and to mobilise the geomorphological community. In cooperation with our National Scientific Members 10 regional webinars were organized by the IAG. In total, 77 speakers from 55 different countries were invited to give a scientific presentation with the aim to highlight new talents and emerging themes across the geomorphological community. As in the previous years, a number of great supplementary events took place during and around the International Geomorphology Week. We greatly acknowledge the enthusiasm and the high level of activity throughout the entire week.

Fourth Women in Geomorphology Workshop

Under the auspices of the IAG, the Hellenic Committee for Geomorphology and Environment of the Geological Society of Greece organized for the fourth time an online workshop under the topic *Women in Geomorphology*. The event is inspired by the International Women's Day and the International Geomorphology Week and was held on 8 March 2024. The programme included 4 welcome speeches and 16 oral presentations from invited speakers. The event was again a great success with more than 100 participants worldwide. Please have a look at the [summary video](#).



IAG co-organised sessions at GSA CONNECTS 2024, Anaheim, California, USA



2024 MEETING THEMES
Water in Our Changing World
Life Along an Active Margin



IAG and GSA (Geological Society of America) benefit from the revitalised MoU through mutual activities this year. The chairs of the GSA Quaternary Geology & Geomorphology Division organised this year's North America Webinar during the International Geomorphology Week. IAG is now co-organising two topical sessions at the annual GSA Connects meeting from 22 to 25 September in Anaheim, USA. One session focusses on "Earth Surface Processes in Tectonically Active and Unstable Regions (T51) whereas the second session is about the "Impact of Contemporary Climate Change and Human Activities on Geomorphological Hazards" (T52). Have a look at both announced sessions and the GSA meeting [here](#).

IAG co-organised session at ICG 2024, Busan, Republic of Korea

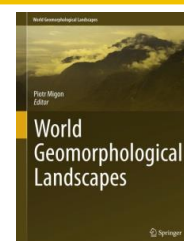
The 37th International Geological Congress will take place in Busan (Republic of Korea) from 25 to 31 August 2024. The IAG is pleased to co-organise the session T10-S2: "Landslides and climate change". Details on the IAG session, the Congress and registration can be found [here](#).

World Geomorphological Landscapes

The IAG is pleased to announce the latest additions to the IAG-endorsed Springer book series "World Geomorphological Landscapes":

- Frumkin A., Shtober-Zisu, N. (Eds) 2024. Landscapes and Landforms of Israel.
- Migoń P., Jancewicz K. (Eds) 2024. Landscapes and Landforms of Poland.
- Knight J., Merlo, S., Zerboni, A. (Eds) 2023. Landscapes and Landforms of the Central Sahara.

There are now 31 volumes published in the series, which can be accessed via this [link](#) at Springer.



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First winners of the IAG Photo & Video Contest

The IAG congratulates the first winners of the IAG monthly photo competition as well as the first winner of the IAG quarterly video contest. The contest is open to geomorphologists worldwide, belonging to active National Scientific Members of the IAG. Please find all information on the previous winners, the guidelines and the new monthly themes for the contest [here](#).

Winners Photo contest:

January: [R. van Wees](#)

February: [S. Jaillet](#)

March: [J. Eichel](#) & [S. Winkler](#)

Winner Video contest:

(January-March)

[R. Pérez López](#)



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Latest news from IAG Working Groups

- The [Tectonic Geomorphology](#) Working Group is organising the second series of online webinars (Online Webinars 2024). Three invited well esteemed speakers will deliver online lectures in April, May and June 2024. The first lecture will be delivered at the end of April by Dr. S. Racano from the Institut für Geowissenschaften, Universität Potsdam, Germany. His lecture is titled "Tectonic Driving Mechanism of Quaternary rock-uplift and Topographic Evolution in the Northern-Central Apennines from Linear Inversion of the Drainage System". More information about the webinars will be announced soon.
- The Working Group on [Virtual Trips in Geomorphology](#) is organising a series of webinars that will be dedicated to different geomorphic environments and new tools and technologies used in virtual fieldtrips. The webinar series will start in May. Each webinar is planned to be devoted to a particular geomorphic environment, with invited speakers from Europe and around the world. We invite anyone interested in our webinars to register to our [mailing list](#) to receive more information in the near future.

11th IAG International Conference on Geomorphology – Key Dates



2–6 February 2026
Christchurch, New Zealand
(Ōtautahi, Aotearoa)



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KEY DATES:

Call for Sessions/Workshops Open:	July 2024
Session/Workshop Submission Deadline:	20 September 2024
Session/Workshop Acceptance Notification:	29 November 2024
Abstract Submission Open:	3 February 2025
Registration Open:	3 March 2025
Abstract Submission Deadline:	31 May 2025
Authors Acceptance Notification:	30 August 2025
Early Registration Deadline:	27 September 2025



IAG Working Group workshops and call for grants

- The IAG [Urban Geomorphology](#) Working Group will organise its first workshop titled "Geomorphology, geodiversity and geosites in urban areas" in Krakow, Poland from 3 to 6 September 2024. The workshop aims at bringing together urban geomorphologists and geographers from all continents to contribute to a better understanding of ancient and modern geomorphological processes taking place in the world's urban areas, as well as to facilitate future cooperation. The program consists of lectures that will be given by invited guests as well as presentations and posters of participants. One day will be devoted to the workshop for Young geomorphologists about GIS application in urban geomorphology. Besides the scientific sessions, a field trip to Upper Silesia Region will be organised. The IAG is pleased to offer two travel grants of 300 Euros to support the participation of two Young Geomorphologists in this event. More information on the call for grants and the workshop can be found [here](#).
- The IAG Working Group [DENUCHANGE](#) is pleased to invite you to take part in the 4th Workshop of the Working Group which will take place in Rome and central Italy, 23-26 September 2024. The Workshop aims at bringing together geoscientists from all continents, to contribute to a better understanding of the land surface denudation processes, their drivers, rates, diversity and variability around the world, and to facilitate future collaborations. The workshop includes oral and poster presentations at the Earth Science Department of Sapienza University of Rome (23-24 September 2024) including a special session dedicated to presentations by Young Geomorphologists and a field trip to Tuscany and Umbria regions (25-26 September 2024). The event is co-organised by the IAG DENUCHANGE Working Group, AIGEO and Sapienza University of Rome. The IAG is pleased to offer two travel grants of 450 Euros to support the participation of two Young Geomorphologists in this event. Please find more information on the workshop and the call for grants [here](#).

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