

WG description (max. 1/2 page)

Please include a brief summary of the objectives & context of the WG. Any new objectives should be detailed. If no change was made since the previous report, please indicate “no changes since previous report”.

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Past activities (max. 1 page)

Provide a list of the main activities and/or events led by the WG since the last Annual Report, accompanied by a short description of the event and a photo/illustration if possible. Activities/events could include: conferences/lectures/workshops/meetings organised, sessions or field trips organised or chaired at international or regional conferences/workshops, WG meetings, books/special issues published and any other items that are relevant to the objectives of the WG.

N.B.: any financial or other support from the IAG should be specifically mentioned.

The Badlands Working Group (WG) of the International Association of Geomorphologists (IAG) has been actively engaged in a range of initiatives and events over the past year. Below is a summary of the main activities carried out by the WG:

1. Meetings

A working group meeting was held during the IAG International Conference on Geomorphology to plan future activities. Particular attention was given to the organization of the next webinar (scheduled for 2026) and to preliminary ideas for a potential future field meeting. The discussion also addressed recent advances in monitoring technologies and the challenging topic of sediment transport monitoring.

2. Conferences

- Session at the IAG Regional Conference in Romania (September 2025):
The WG organized a session entitled “*From Land to Badland – Past, Present, and Future*” at the IAG Regional Conference in Timișoara. The session explored the formation of badlands over time, their current evolution, and possible future scenarios. It was well attended and generated lively and productive discussion.
- Session at the IAG International Conference on Geomorphology in Christchurch, New Zealand (February 2026):
The WG also led a session entitled “*New Frontiers in the Study of Erosion Processes and Geomorphic Dynamics in Badlands.*” This session focused on recent advances in the understanding of erosion processes and the evolution of badland landscapes.

3. Collaboration with the DENUCHANGE Working Group

The Badlands WG actively participated in DENUCHANGE Working Group meetings in September 2025 and February 2026. This collaboration provides a valuable platform to explore synergies between badland geomorphology and broader denudation processes, fostering interdisciplinary research.

4. Expansion of Social Media Presence

The Badlands WG has continued to strengthen its social media presence to enhance outreach and engagement with both the scientific community and the general public. These platforms serve as hubs for sharing research updates, event announcements, and discussions on badlands-related topics.

- Instagram: @iagbadlands
- X (formerly Twitter): @IAG_badlands
(Note: this platform may be replaced by an alternative social media channel pending approval by the WG members.)

Future activities (max. 1/2 page)

List of the main activities or events planned by the WG for the year ahead. You may want to include links to a registration form, your own website or social media, in order to advertise your events (e.g. conferences, workshops).

The Badlands Working Group (WG) remains committed to promoting scientific collaboration, disseminating knowledge, and fostering engagement in badlands research over the coming years. The main planned activities include:

1. 10th Badlands Working Group Webinar and meeting (July 2026)

This online workshop will continue the WG's tradition of sharing new research and insights on badland landscapes worldwide. It will provide an opportunity for both established experts and early-career researchers to present their work and discuss key challenges in the field. Further details will be announced in the coming months.

2. 10th International Symposium on Gully Erosion (September 2026)

WG members will actively participate in the 10th International Symposium on Gully Erosion (ISGE), to be held in Perugia, Italy. The conference program will include a field trip to several badland sites in central Italy, offering a valuable opportunity for in situ discussion and knowledge exchange.

Overall, these planned activities will contribute to reinforcing the WG's mission to advance knowledge and promote international collaboration in badlands geomorphology.

Committee members

List of the Committee members with their role (e.g. Chairs, Co-Chairs, Secretary, Steering Committee...) at the time the Annual Report is written with contact details for the website. If no change was made since the previous report, please indicate "no changes since previous report".

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