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I) NEWS FROM IUGS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1) From Africa to Latin America and the Caribbean: IUGS–UNESCO IGCP Expands Geoscience Collaboration across the Global South



The International Union of Geological Sciences (IUGS) is pleased to announce a new funding opportunity under the IUGS–UNESCO International Geoscience Program (IGCP), inviting geoscientists based at institutions in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) to submit expressions of interest for collaborative research projects.

As a longstanding joint program of IUGS and UNESCO, the IGCP promotes international scientific cooperation, advances geoscience knowledge, and supports capacity development to address societal and environmental challenges. Through this special call, IUGS and UNESCO reaffirm their shared commitment to strengthening geoscience research, fostering scientific excellence, and expanding opportunities for collaboration across the Global South.

The IUGS–UNESCO IGCP has a distinguished history of supporting international research networks and

advancing collaborative geoscience projects in areas such as Earth resources, geohazards, environmental change, groundwater, geodiversity, and Earth system processes. This call provides an important opportunity for researchers in Latin America and the Caribbean to build scientific capacity, strengthen regional scientific networks, enhance international cooperation, and develop impactful research initiatives that address both regional priorities and broader societal challenges.

The launch of this call reflects IUGS’s continued commitment to strengthening geoscience capacity and collaboration across the Global South. Following initiatives implemented in Africa in 2025 and the IUGS workshop and Executive Committee meeting held in Bogotá, Colombia, at the end of January 2026, the Union is expanding its engagement in the Latin America and Caribbean region through this dedicated IUGS–UNESCO IGCP funding opportunity. The initiative aims to stimulate innovative research, foster new scientific partnerships, and further strengthen geoscience communities throughout the region.

Interested applicants are encouraged to carefully review the eligibility criteria, application requirements, and submission procedures available on the call webpage:

<https://www.unesco.org/en/articles/call-expressions-interest-geoscience-funding-latin-america-and-caribbean>

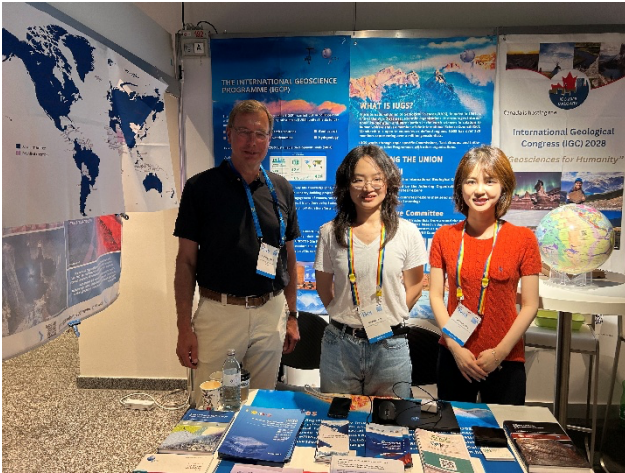
Please note that the deadline for proposal submission is **13 July 2026**.

We encourage members of the geoscience community to share this opportunity widely within their professional networks to maximise participation and further strengthen geoscience research,

capacity development, and international scientific cooperation throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.

2) IUGS Secretary-General at General Assembly of the European Geosciences Union

From 4 to 6 May 2026, IUGS Secretary-General Dr. Ludwig Stroink attended the EGU General Assembly 2026 in Vienna, one of the world's leading geoscience conferences, which brought together more than 22,000 participants from 125 countries.



During his stay in Vienna, Dr. Stroink held high-level discussions with representatives of the Deep-time Digital Earth Big Science Programme (DDE) and visited the IUGS exhibition booth, which was once again professionally managed by colleagues from the Secretariat.

The main purpose of his visit was to participate in the Bureau- and Business Meeting of the International Lithosphere Program (ILP), traditionally held in conjunction with the EGU General Assembly.

At the ILP meetings, Dr. Stroink presented the wide range of new initiatives launched by the new IUGS Executive Committee and outlined new strategic ideas aimed at strengthening cooperation between IUGS and the other GeoUnions within the International Science Council (ISC). A central proposal of the Executive Committee is to further develop the ILP - jointly operated by IUGS and IUGG - into an international platform for coordinated collaboration among the GeoUnions (see following article). The Vienna meeting therefore marked an important step toward closer alignment among all organizations currently involved in the ILP framework.

On the occasion of the Bureau Meeting, Professor Sierd Cloetingh was honored, upon nomination by IUGS and IUGG, with Lifetime Membership and the title of Honorary President of the ILP in recognition of his outstanding contributions to international geoscience cooperation.



3) IUGS Leads Historic Expansion of the International Lithosphere Program (ILP) through GeoUnions Collaboration

A significant milestone in international geoscience collaboration was reached on 20 May 2026 at a formal high-level meeting chaired by the President of the International Union of Geological Sciences (IUGS). The meeting was attended by the IUGS Secretary General, Treasurer, and Vice-President; the Secretary General of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IUGG); representatives from the International Union of Soil Sciences (IUSS); the Secretary General of the International Lithosphere Program (ILP); and the Chair and Vice-Chair of the ISC Geo-Unions Steering Committee.

The meeting formally endorsed a collaboratively developed proposal, initiated by IUGS, to expand the ILP into a broader cooperative framework involving additional GeoUnions. This initiative builds on the

longstanding partnership between the IUGS and the IUGG. Following an expression of interest from the IUSS, the proposal was discussed among all participating organisations, ultimately leading to consensus.

This development marks a major step toward strengthening collaboration among the Geo-Unions and reflects a shared commitment to greater integration in Earth system science. Established in 1980, the ILP has served for more than four decades as a successful joint initiative of the IUGS and IUGG, promoting international and interdisciplinary research on the Earth's lithosphere and the dynamic processes shaping our planet. By integrating soil sciences into this longstanding partnership, the program moves beyond its traditional two-union structure, promotes a more comprehensive Earth system science framework, and fosters increased collaboration among geosciences, geophysics, and soil sciences.

This important development reflects the broader vision of the IUGS to advance a more integrated, inclusive, and collaborative modern geoscience framework rooted in Earth system science. It also underscores a growing recognition across GeoUnions that the complex challenges facing humanity cannot be addressed within isolated disciplines or institutional frameworks, and that stronger cross-union cooperation is essential.

At a time when the world faces interconnected challenges related to climate change, environmental degradation, natural hazards, resource sustainability, food security, and human health, this expanded collaboration highlights the importance of breaking institutional and disciplinary boundaries. It sends a strong message that the future of Earth sciences lies in coordinated Geo-Union action, shared scientific leadership, and collective responsibility for the benefit of society and the planet. Furthermore, the initiative provides an open platform for additional GeoUnions to join this collective effort, fostering an even broader and more impactful alliance across Earth, environmental, and planetary sciences.

In conclusion, IUGS is very proud to have driven the expansion of the ILP, marking an important step toward stronger GeoUnions collaboration under the framework of the International Science Council (ISC) and a more integrated Earth system science approach. It reflects a shared commitment to interdisciplinary cooperation and highlights the essential role of international scientific partnerships in addressing global challenges for the benefit of society and our planet.

4) Strengthening and Reviewing IUGS Constituent Groups

Through their highly specialized activities, IUGS-Commissions and Task-Groups play a key role in translating the Union's mission and strategic objectives into concrete scientific action. They contribute significantly to scientific excellence, interdisciplinary collaboration, capacity building, international networking, and the global visibility of geosciences. At the same time, they strengthen the role of geoscience in addressing pressing global issues such as sustainable development, natural resources, environmental change, geohazards, and societal resilience.

The Executive Committee (EC) considers the constituent groups essential for ensuring that IUGS remains scientifically relevant, internationally visible, and responsive to rapidly evolving priorities within the global geoscience community. In particular, the constituent groups provide important platforms for supporting early-career scientists, strengthening regional cooperation, and increasing participation from underrepresented regions, including countries of the Global South.

Constituent groups must remain dynamic, forward-looking, and closely aligned with current scientific developments and emerging international priorities. Therefore, and according to the IUGS Statutes,

all commissions are intended to operate with a limited mandate and should undergo a formal review every four years to assess their scientific relevance, performance, and strategic alignment.

As such reviews had not always been conducted consistently in recent years, several commissions have remained active well beyond their originally intended duration. To strengthen organizational renewal and ensure continued scientific relevance, the EC therefore initiated a systematic review process for all commissions active for more than eight years.

In 2026, the following IUGS Commissions will undergo review:

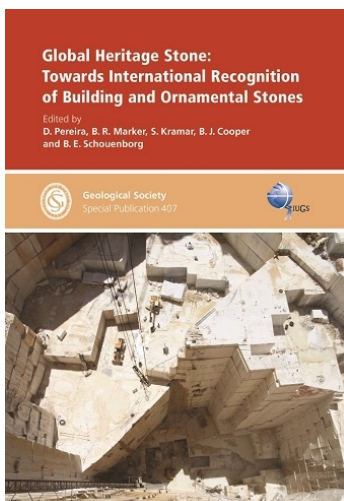
- IUGS Commission for the Management and Application of Geoscience Information CGI (27–29 May 2026)
- International Commission on Stratigraphy ICS (2–4 June 2026)
- International Commission on the History of Geological Sciences INHIGEO (20–23 July 2026)

All reviews take place as on-site review meetings and will be conducted according to the ‘Guidelines for the Ad-hoc Review (ARC) of IUGS Commissions’ recently revised by the EC. The review committees will typically consist of two EC members and one external expert. Following ratification by the EC, the results of all ARC reviews will be published by IUGS.

The objective of these reviews is not only to evaluate past achievements, but also to identify future potential, emerging scientific priorities, opportunities for restructuring, and possible new directions. Through this process, the EC aims to ensure that IUGS constituent groups continue to reflect the latest developments and priorities within the international geoscience community while maintaining the highest scientific standards and long-term strategic impact.

5) IUGS-Geological Society of London Special Publications

At the EGU 2026 General Assembly in Vienna, Lola Pereira, Councillor of the IUGS EC and past Chair of the IUGS Publications Committee, had the opportunity to speak with Catherine Rawlinson, Commissioning Editor for The Geological Society.



The **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)** between IUGS and GSL SP is progressing well. Several Special Publications are in the pipeline and will be published under the agreement. Some of the volumes are ongoing, with contributions already accepted and moving online shortly. Some proposals have already been accepted and are awaiting submission. Some proposals are under consideration at the moment.

Publishing with the GSL provides added value to the IUGS constituent groups; therefore, the IUGS encourages consideration of volumes featuring the latest contributions (e.g., EGU26, GSA). It is a great way to promote IUGS through the research it supports for various constituent groups, as all these volumes will be printed with the IUGS logo appearing on the cover.

Example of an IUGS book published as a GSL Special Publication.

6) IUGS Highlights Climate-Related Threats to Geological Heritage in Las Loras UNESCO Global Geopark

IUGS Councillor Prof. Lola Pereira was invited to participate in the 2026 UNESCO Global Geoparks Week. She gave a talk on risks that may affect geoparks associated with climatic events.



Lola is delivering her talk on geological heritage and the risks associated with impactful climatic events

Las Loras was declared a UGGp in 2017 due to its international importance for its geological and cultural heritage. It has been revalidated twice, in 2021 and 2025. Lola Pereira is a member of the scientific committee and participates in many activities associated with the geopark, promoting the link between Geoparks and IUGS. She has been an external observer for the revalidation processes. For the complete program, please visit https://www.instagram.com/p/DYe1MkzDAau/?img_index=2

The increase in impactful events may affect the preservation of vulnerable geosites, such as those present in Las Loras. The delicate carbonates in the karstic monuments are suffering degradation from heavy storms and winds, which are increasing in intensity with climate change.

A continuous research collaboration with Las Loras UGGp is yielding important outcomes that are feeding the IUGS news and publications and will continue to work in the understanding of the dissolution and precipitation of carbonates and on potential tools to protect and preserve the geosites.

II) NEWS FROM IUGS MEMBERS

1) News from the Commission on Geoscience Education (COGE)

COGE continues working on strengthening geoscience education, outreach, and international collaboration through a range of global initiatives and strategic activities.

This month, the Geoscience Educator of the Month (GEM) campaign features Professor Ana Abreu (Brazil) in recognition of her outstanding contributions to geoscience education and public engagement. Through GEM, COGE highlights educators whose work inspires the next generation of

geoscientists and strengthens geoscience learning worldwide. We warmly encourage the international community to submit nominations via [the GEM page](#).

The development of the *White Paper on Geoscience Education: Global Challenges, Strategic Priorities and Pathways for Action* is currently underway. Following contributions from COGE members, the document has now entered its internal review phase to consolidate and refine its content. It will subsequently be presented for broader stakeholder consultation during [GeoSciEd X](#) in Adelaide,

COGE-EOP presents

Challenges of geoscience in the 21st century



MAY 29

08:00 (La Paz / UTC-4); 12:00 (GMT)



Prof. Amelia Calonge
2025 Chris King Medallist

Moderator:
Prof. Monica Guzman
COGE-EOP Interim Chair



<https://iugscope.org/>

benthic foraminifera research and its environmental significance, highlighting the value of hands-on learning and international exchange. In addition, EOP hosted a webinar on 29 May featuring Prof. Amelia Calonge, recipient of the 2025 Chris King Medal, which explored current challenges and opportunities in geoscience education. The [GeoArt 2026 Global Contest](#) also remains open, welcoming contributions that connect Earth science with creative expression and strengthen public engagement with geosciences.


Through these initiatives, COGE continues to advance inclusive, innovative, and globally connected geoscience education in support of IUGS objectives.

Stay connected via **Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, X**, and the **COGE website** to stay informed about its activities, projects, and upcoming opportunities.

2) News from the Commission on Global Geochemical Baselines (CGGB)


Promotion of the IUGS Manual of Standard Methods at the EGU General Assembly in Vienna

The [International Union of Geological Sciences Manual of Standard Methods for Establishing the Global Geochemical Reference Network](#) was displayed in the International Union of Geological Sciences




GEOSCIENCE EDUCATOR OF THE MONTH (GEM)

MAJOR: ENGINEERING GEOLOGY



Ana Abreu



- Professor at University of Campinas (UNICAMP), Brazil since 2016 & Board Member of the Brazilian Association of Engineering Geology and the Environment (ABGE).
- Private-sector experience (1996–2004) managing infrastructure projects, highways, hydroelectric power plants, and solid waste landfills.
- Dual expertise with a degree in Geology and Civil Engineering.
- Connecting real-world engineering practice with transformative geoscience teaching and research.

HOBBIES: hiking, movies and reading

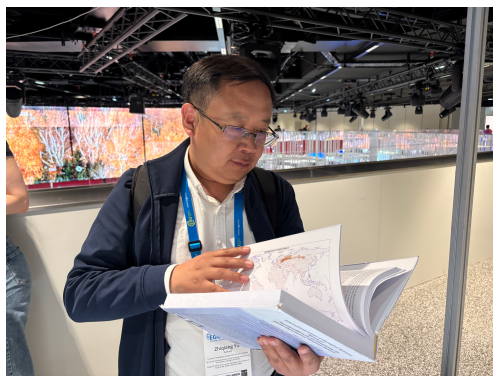
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Australia. COGE is also pleased to note that *Episodes* has expressed support for publishing this strategic contribution, recognising its relevance to advancing geoscience education globally. The Education, Outreach and Policy (EOP) Sub-commission of COGE has advanced key initiatives in May 2026. The GEFO Programme logo competition has been completed, with an international evaluation panel selecting three finalists and preparations now underway for the official announcement of the winning design. We also warmly congratulate GEFO Field Officer Salah El-Ekhhfifi (Libya) for his online educational session held on 12 May, which engaged students and educators through presentations on

booth at the EGU General Assembly 2026 conference in Vienna from May 3 to 8, 2026 (see photographs below). As the photographs show, senior and early-career researchers are interested in the IUGS Manual of Standard Methods, which is very encouraging.

The CGGB Steering Committee strongly believes that the promotion of the IUGS Manual of Standard Methods by the IUGS Secretariat Staff at the Spring EGU in Vienna and Winter AGU in the USA conferences is bearing fruit, as indicated by the statistics from the Zenodo website. Since its publication in 2022, 887 colleagues have downloaded the manual, and 1004 people have viewed it. Google Analytics shows that since the EGU meeting, at least 35 people have viewed the manual on its CGGB webpage. The download numbers are very encouraging, indicating that many colleagues beyond our applied geochemistry community are interested in the IUGS Manual of Standard Methods. We stress again that the methods described therein can be adapted to geochemical surveys at any mapping scale.



EGU General Assembly 2026 conference participants looking with interest at the IUGS Manual of Standard Geochemical Methods. Photographs taken by IUGS Secretariat staff members (left) Jiachen Niu and (right) Langfeng Mu.

3) News from the Initiative on Forensic Geology (IFG)

MSc Forensic Geoscience Module, Institute of Earth Sciences, University of Heidelberg, Germany

From 11 to 15 May IUGS-IFG delivered an MSc forensic geology module at the Institute of Earth Sciences, University of Heidelberg, in Germany. The module comprised a series of lectures followed by field and laboratory practical sessions. The scope covered ground searches for burials, crime scene examination, the recovery of geological trace evidence from items found in the ground and from a vehicle. The course was attended by 25 students who were required to complete a formal written examination.



IUGS-IFG MSc Forensic Geoscience Module, Institute of Earth Sciences, University of Heidelberg, Germany (Photographs by Laurance Donnelly and Heidelberg University).

UK Police Search Adviser (PoISA) Conference, Police National Search Centre (PNSC), College of Policing

On 27 May 2026, Dr Laurance Donnelly was invited by the UK College of Policing and Police National Search Centre (PNSC), to deliver a training presentation on the 'Geoforensic Search Strategy (GSS) and The Moors Murders'. The event was attended by over 100 PoISA's and police officers, which gave the opportunity to discuss innovative search strategies and techniques to locate a burial related to homicide, serious and organised crime and counter terrorism.

Netflix: Should I Marry a Murderer?

Dame Prof. Lorna Dawson appears on the Netflix series, *Should I Marry a Murderer?*, which focuses on a case of a missing person in the Scottish Highlands. Dame Prof Dawson appears in episode two discussing in an interview the soil forensic evidence which she provided related to identifying where the burial site and the landscape context of the case.

For more information, please visit [Watch Should I Marry a Murderer? | Netflix Official Site](#)

Illegal Mining and Minerals Crime: INTERPOL, OECD, UNODC and WCO



On 28–29 May 2026, Dr Laurance Donnelly was invited to present at the 11th Meeting of the Informal Law Enforcement Network on Minerals Crime: Disrupting Illegal Mineral Supply Chains. The conference was held at INTERPOL's headquarters in Lyon, France, in conjunction with the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and World Customs Organisation (WCO).

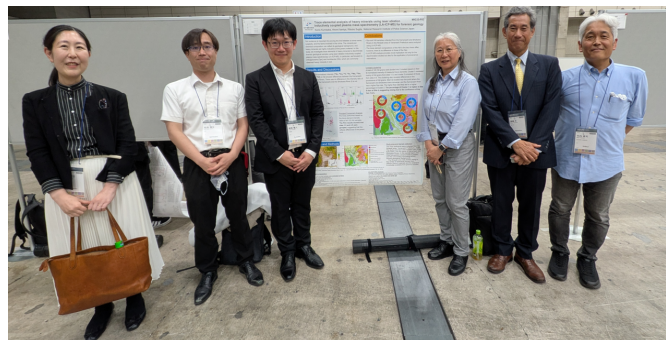
Dr Laurance Donnelly, Disrupting Illegal Mining, INTERPOL (Photograph by Laurance Donnelly).

Forensic Geology at the Japan Geoscience Union (JpGU), Chiba City, Japan

Forensic Geology was represented at the 2026 Annual Meeting of the Japan Geoscience Union (JpGU), held as a joint meeting with the American Geophysical Union (AGU) on 23 May, in Makuhari, Chiba City, Japan.

https://www.jpгу.org/meeting_e2026/about.php

Dr Ritsuko Sugita and colleagues at the Forensic Geology session, Japan Geoscience Union, (Photograph by Ritsuko Sugita).



24th Triennial Meeting of the International Association of Forensic Sciences (IAFS), Sofia, Bulgaria

On 20–25 May, Dame Prof Lorna Dawson and Dr Benjamin Rocke, represented IUGS-IFG at the '24th Triennial Meeting of the International Association of Forensic Sciences, Sofia, Bulgaria'.

For more information, please visit: <https://iafs2026.com/>

4) News from the International Commission on the History of Geological Sciences (INHIGEO)



INHIGEO Anniversaries – New Contribution

Occasion: *Campi Phlegraei* published 250 years ago

Author: Claudia Principe (Italy)

Title: *Campi Phlegraei 1776: the volcanological legacy of Sir William Hamilton*

Aged thirty-four, Sir Hamilton arrived in Naples on 17 November 1764, "Envoy Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Her Britannic Majesty" to the court of Ferdinand IV of Bourbon (1751–1825). Hamilton's interests were essentially divided between art collecting and volcanoes. In the series of letters that Sir William sent to the Royal Society of London, the first dated 10 June 1766, detailed accounts

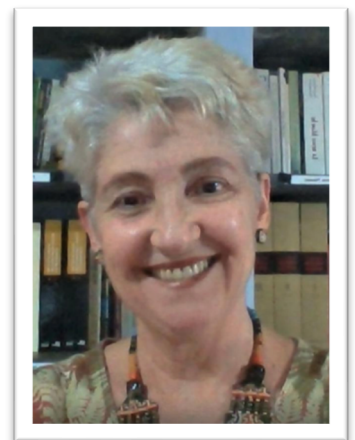
are given of the eruptive phenomena of Vesuvius which he witnessed first-hand.

Please open the link to know more: <https://inhigeo.org/anniversaries/>

Photo caption: William Hamilton (1730–1803) in a portrait by Giovanni Elia Morghen, after Hugh Douglas Hamilton's engraving, 1790s. Source: Wikimedia Commons

INHIGEO Past President receives prestigious French award

INHIGEO past-president (2008–2012) Silvia Figueirôa from Brazil has been awarded the 2026 François Ellenberger Award of the Comité Français d'Histoire de la Géologie (COFRHIGEO)–the French Committee for the History of Geology for her outstanding contribution to the history of geology.



5) News from the IUGS Commission on Geoethics

Successful events on geoethics at EGU26

The events co-organized by the Commission on Geoethics at the EGU General Assembly 2026 in Vienna were highly successful. The geoethics session (EOS4.1) was the most widely attended ever, with oral and poster presentations covering education and ethical foundations, sustainability and social impact of geosciences, data and emerging technologies, geoenvironment, and the role of science in geopolitical and crisis contexts. More: <https://www.geoethics.org/eguga26>

The geoethics course (SC1.11) engaged participants in collaborative activities aimed at identifying shared ethical principles and values. In addition, the Great Debate on AI in the Geosciences (GDB2)

brought together all members of the Commission's AI Task Group to discuss the ethical implications of this technology, fostering a rich and fruitful dialogue with a large audience. The debate also provided the opportunity to publicly present the document "Artificial Intelligence (AI) Ethics Recommendations for the Geoscience Community": <https://www.geoethics.org/ai-ethics-recommendations>



Left: the session on geoethics at EGU26.



Right: the great debate on AI ethics in the geosciences at EGU26.

Other news from the International Geoethics Research Infrastructure

The International Association for Promoting Geoethics (IAPG) awarded the 2025 Geoethics Medal to Dr. Ganapathy Pattukandan Ganapathy (India) and Prof. Ilan Kelman (United Kingdom) in recognition of their significant contribution to the promotion of geoethical principles. For more information: <https://www.geoethics.org/geoethics-medal>



Recipients of the Geoethics Medal 2025

The Council of the European Geosciences Union (EGU), one of the leading international geoscientific organizations, has established the Geoethics Working Group, a team dedicated to promoting geoethics within the European and international geoscientific community. This group, chaired by Silvia Peppoloni, was created following more than fifteen years of activities of the IAPG within the framework of the EGU General Assemblies. For more information, please visit: www.geoethics.org/egu-gwg

III) NEWS FROM IUGS AFFILIATED ORGANISATIONS

1) News from the International Medical Geology Association (IMGA)

IMGA was represented at EGU, in Vienna, Austria, by Lola Pereira (IMGA EC, IUGS EC) and Maria Aurora Armienta (IMGA EC). They presented research contributions in the context of Medical Geology.

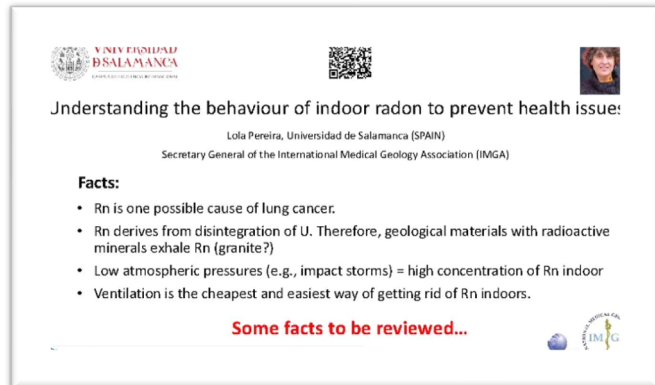
The contributions presented as a poster, in the case of Maria Aurora Armienta, and as PICO presentation in the case of Lola Pereira, were:

[Reducing volcanic risk through joint efforts of academia and key decision-makers, with the geochemical monitoring of volcanic activity.](#) Authors: M. Aurora Armienta, Ángel Gómez-Vázquez, Servando De la Cruz-Reyna, Olivia Cruz, Alejandra Aguayo, and Omar Neri.

Understanding the behaviour of indoor radon to prevent health issues. Author: Lola Pereira.



Left: Maria Aurora Armienta presenting her contribution at EGU26. Picture by Lola Pereira



Right: First slide of the presentation by Lola Pereira at the PICO session: NH8.1.-Radioactivity in the environment: scientific challenges and technological innovations

EGU is one of the most attended scientific conferences in the world. This year, the EGU General Assembly registered 22,497 attendees (20,027 on-site and 2,470 online) from 107 countries worldwide—a great opportunity to disseminate the activities of IMGA, an IUGS Affiliated Organisation.

IV) EVENTS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH IUGS

1) 5th International Congress on Stratigraphy from 28 June to 3 July 2026, at Suzhou, China.



STRATI 2026 – Exploring the Depths: Bridging Tradition and Innovation in Stratigraphy, taking place from 28 June to 3 July 2026, at Suzhou in Jiangsu Province, China.

The STRATI congress is the official meeting of the International Commission on Stratigraphy held between meetings of the International Geological Congress. STRATI meetings serve as a cornerstone of international stratigraphic research, fostering dialogue and innovation across continents with a legacy rooted in Europe.

For more information, please visit <https://strati2026.org/>

2) SEG Announces GEOMIN 2026 to Be Hosted in Uzbekistan, 14–18 September 2026



Following the resounding success of GEOMIN 2025 in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, in partnership with the Saudi Geological Survey; the Society of Exploration Geophysicists (SEG), is pleased to announce that GEOMIN 2026 will take place in Tashkent, Uzbekistan from 14–18 September 2026 under the patronage of Ministry of Mining Industry and Geology of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

This milestone marks the continued expansion of GEOMIN as a premier global forum for advancing mining geoscience, subsurface innovation, and sustainable resource development.

For more information, please visit [SEG Announces GEOMIN 2026 to Be Hosted in Uzbekistan, 14–18 September 2026 - SEG](#)

V) OTHER IMPORTANT NOTES

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