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The IAPG is legally recognized as a not-for-profit association, has 1,233 members in 107 countries in 5 continents, and can count on a network of **23 national sections**.

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CONGRESSES/MEETINGS

35th International Geological Congress

Cape Town (South Africa), 27 August - 4 September 2016

Programme of sessions on geoethics organized by the IAPG - International Association for Promoting Geoethics



The IAPG call for abstracts was successful, with 37 abstracts accepted: 30 orals and 7 poster presentations scheduled into 6 oral sessions and 1 poster session. Moreover, IAPG has organized a panel session to discuss on several key topics of geoethics.

List of the IAPG sessions on geoethics at the 35th IGC:

Session T12.1

Geoethics - General Aspects

Monday, 29 August 2016, 14:00-15:30, Room MR 2.41-2.43

Convenership: Giuseppe Di Capua, Peter Bobrowsky

- Keynote - Geoethics: a new way of thinking and managing the Earth (Silvia Peppoloni)

Session T12.2

Geoethics and Geoscience Organizations

Monday, 29 August 2016, 16:00-17:30, Room MR 2.41-2.43

Convenership: Silvia Peppoloni, John Geissman

- Keynote - Scientific Integrity and Professional Ethics at AGU – The Role for a Large Scientific Society in Addressing Harassment and Work Climate Issues (Christine McEntee)

Session T12.3

Geoethics - Teaching, Training and Communication

Tuesday, 30 August 2016, 8:00-10:00, Room MR 2.41-2.43

Convenership: Ruth Allington, Silvia Peppoloni

- Keynote - Ethical Dimensions of Transdisciplinary Approaches in Seismic Risk Communication (Iain Stewart)

- Keynote Geoethics: Good Teaching, Good Science (David Mogk)

Session T12.4

Geoethics - Case Studies

Tuesday, 30 August 2016, 10:30-11:45, Room MR 2.41-2.43

Convenership: Giuseppe Di Capua, Martin Bohle

Panel Session T12.5

What's the Point of Geoethics?

Tuesday, 30 August 2016, 14:00-15:30, Room MR 2.41-2.43

Chairpersons: Peter T. Bobrowsky, Giuseppe Di Capua

Panelists: Silvia Peppoloni, David Mogk, Ruth Allington, Christopher Keane and Nic Bilham

Session T12.8

Geoethics and Resources Needs for Future Generations - 1

Wednesday, 31 August 2016, 10:30-11:45, Room MR 2.41-2.43

Convenership: Giuseppe Di Capua, Nic Bilham, Luca Demicheli

- Keynote - Delivering Sustainable Development Goals: the need for a new Social Contract for mining (Edmund Nickless)

Session T12.9

Geoethics and Resources Needs for Future Generations - 2

Wednesday, 31 August 2016, 14:00-15:15, Room MR 2.41-2.43

Convenership: Silvia Peppoloni, Peter T. Bobrowsky, Vitor Correia

Poster Session T12.P2

Global Geoscience Professionalism and Geoethics

Wednesday, 30 August 2016, 17:45-19:00, Exhibition area

The session T12.3 is a joint initiative IAPG - International Association for Promoting Geoethics and TG-GGP - Task Group on Global Geoscience Professionalism of the IUGS - International Union of Geological Sciences.

The sessions T12.8 and T12.9 are a joint initiative IAPG - International Association for Promoting Geoethics, GSL - Geological Society of London, EFG - European Federation of Geologists and EGS - EuroGeoSurveys.

**Title of presentations, speakers, date and time,
and other information are available at:
<http://www.geoethics.org/35thigc.html>**



IAPG session S32: "Geoethics: a new way of thinking and practicing geosciences"

Programme

Naples (Italy)
9 September 2016

This session is organized by IAPG-Italy - Section of Geoethics and Geological Culture of the Italian Geological Society at the 88th National Congress of the Italian Geological Society, that takes place in Naples (Italy).

The session is scheduled for 9 September 2016, from 8:30 to 11:00, Aula A32.

Convenership: Stefano Tinti (Università di Bologna, IAPG President), Francesco De Pascale (Università della Calabria, IAPG-Young Scientists Club), Sabina Di Franco (CNR-IIA Roma, IAPG member), Alessandra Magagna (Università di Torino, IAPG member), Silvia Peppoloni (INGV-Roma2, IAPG Secretary General).

European Seismological Commission



Session 04 "From school and citizen seismology to geoethics"

Programme

35th General Assembly of the
European Seismological Commission
Trieste (Italy)
5 September 2016

Convenership: Rémy Bossu, Paul Denton, Paul Earle, Giuseppe Di Capua
IAPG - International Association for Promoting Geoethics supports this session.



IAPG Roundtable "Geoethics in Peru: Social Responsibility in Geosciences"

XVIII Peruvian Congress of Geology
Lima (Peru)
19 October 2016, 15:55

The roundtable is organized by IAPG-Peru (SEGCGS-SGP)
Chairperson: Shianny Vasquez

Venue: Hall Nro. Uno (Polideportivo) site of the
Pontificia universidad católica del Perú - PUCP, Lima

Scientific Programme



RFG 2018 - Resources for Future Generations The Conference on Energy, Minerals, Water, The Earth

Vancouver (Canada)
16-21 June 2018

Why RFG 2018?

The rapid growth of developing economies and the fundamental needs of many disadvantaged people across the globe are resulting in an increased demand for many resources and changes in the delivery of existing ones.

IAPG - International Association for Promoting Geoethics is partner of the RFG 2018 Conference, and geoethics has been included among the sub-themes (under the theme "Resources and Society").

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The importance of Geoethics in achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Nigeria

Workshop

Abuja (Nigeria)
24 October 2016

IAPG-Nigeria cordially invites all geoscientists and the general public to its 1st sensitisation workshop where the proposed theme will be discussed by various speakers in order to promote the activities of IAPG through cooperating with National and International organisations whose aims are complementary to those of the Association.

Sub-Themes:

1. Geoethics and Sustainable Development Goals.
2. Geoethics in our daily life.
3. Geoethics and Geoscience Profession.
4. Fostering relationship between the scientific community, mass media and general public.

Venue: Raw Material Research and Development Council Abuja.

Partners: AAWG Nigeria, NMGS, RMRDC. If you are interested to be partner and supporter of this initiative, please contact:
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FROM THE IAPG BLOG

List of articles published in the IAPG Blog:
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What's Up Citizen Scientist?

(by Martin Bohle, Belgium)

"Why "citizen geoscience" or "citizen earth scientists" should be a feature of modern geosciences? Why is the encouragement of geocitizen-scientist opportune when considering geoethics? The reader looking for an account how citizen science activities evolved and a definition of it, such as "scientific work undertaken by members of the general public, often in collaboration with or under the direction of professional scientists and scientific institutions" may refer to the respective entry in Wikipedia. Also, the European Citizen Science Association offers principles of good practice in citizen science. At the very conceptual roots, 'geoethics' and 'citizen science' have a clear relationship. Namely, when 'geoethics' "consists of research and reflection on the values which underpin appropriate behaviours and practices, wherever human activities interact with the Earth system", and "deals with the ethical, social and cultural implications of geoscience education, research and practice, and with the social role and responsibility of geoscientists in conducting their activities" (quote from IAPG outline of "geoethics") then 'geoethics' is as much about citizens as it is about geoscientists, their various lifestyles and different professional conducts, respectively....."

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