

# IAG HIGHLIGHTS



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## New IAG National Scientific Member

The IAG warmly welcomes a new IAG National Scientific Member. It is our pleasure to announce that:

the *Gabonese Association of Geomorphologists (GAG)* was accepted as the IAG National Scientific Member of **Gabon**.

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

## IAG Photo & Video Contest

The IAG competition launched this year continues successfully and we would like to congratulate our new winners of the monthly photo competition and the quarterly video contest for the term April to June. The winning photo from May has made it into the header of this newsletter. Please find the wonderful images and the fascinating videos of our winners as well as all information on the contest [here](#).

## Geomorphica – First Issue and One-Year Anniversary

Just in time for its one-year anniversary since accepting submissions, *Geomorphica* has published its first articles in the current first issue. *Geomorphica* is a community-led and community-driven Diamond Open Access journal that promotes academic discourse and disseminates research results pertaining to all aspects of geomorphology. IAG is pleased to support *Geomorphica* and appreciates the great efforts of the team in running this journal. Please visit *Geomorphica*'s [website](#) or follow them on the diverse social media platforms.

## Information from the latest IAG Executive Committee Meeting

On 9 April 2024 the IAG Executive Committee (EC) convened in a virtual meeting. Among others, the following topics were discussed:

- The organisation of the next Regional and International Conferences on Geomorphology in Romania in 2025 and New Zealand in 2026,
- The IAG economic situation and membership fees from National Scientific Members,
- New activities related to the National Scientific Members,
- The status of the IAG Training Programme and of IAG Working Groups,
- The IAG strategy to foster the IAG Communication, Cooperation and Outreach including potential new IAG affiliations and Memorandums of Understanding,
- IAG future activities, including collaborations with GSA.

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

## Update on IAG RCG 2025 in Timișoara, Romania



The Organising Committee of the upcoming IAG Regional Conference on Geomorphology in Timișoara, Romania is pleased to announce the official conference [website](#). The Regional Conference will take place from 16 to 18 September 2025, under the theme *Geomorphology for society: challenges and opportunities*. The conference will offer invited keynote presentations, thematic sessions representing the latest innovations in theoretical, methodological and applied approaches in Geomorphology, various field trips, a dedicated Intensive Course for Young Geomorphologists and social events. Please note that the call and invitation to organise thematic sessions is open now. The IAG and the Romanian Association of Geomorphologists are looking forward to welcoming you in Timișoara in September 2025.

## 11th IAG ICG 2026 in New Zealand / Call for session proposals and key dates



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



### 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



The call for session proposals is now open for the 11th International Conference on Geomorphology, 2–6 February 2026 in Christchurch, New Zealand. 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. From the active volcanoes and mountains, along the dynamic and braided rivers, and out to the diverse coastal environments, there is something exciting for every geomorphologist! The Local Organizing Committee kindly invites you to have a look on the Conference Program Themes before submitting your session proposal. Please save the conference dates and stay updated through the event [website](#) and social media #IAG2026NZ.

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## IAG-auspiced Summer School on Geomorphological Mapping

The Summer School in Geomorphological Mapping in Tectonically Active Areas offers a theoretical and practical course which has the aim to disseminate the methodologies and criteria for geomorphological mapping and surveying in seismic areas. The course shall bring together students and researchers from different countries where seismic activity is studied from both a scientific and an applied point of view. It is directed to students and PhDs in Geological, Natural, Environmental and Forestry Sciences (and equivalent degrees also obtained abroad), and professional geologists and employees of public and private authorities. The Summer School will be held from 2 to 7 September 2024 at the University of Camerino, Italy. The event is supported by IAG and AIGeo (Italian Association of Physical Geography and Geomorphology). The application deadline is 20 July, and a maximum of 24 participants can take part in the summer school. All information including the application form can be found on the [website](#) of this event.

## IAG auspices for the 18th East Eurasia International Workshop

The IAG is pleased to auspice the 18th East Eurasia International Workshop (EEIW) which will be held on 7-11 October 2024 in Matsue, Japan. The objective of the EEIW 2024 is to present recent research on earth-surface processes and long-term environmental changes in terrestrial and coastal regions and to promote information exchange, collaborative research, and research networking in the East Eurasia and Western Pacific regions. EEIW 2024 is planned to have 1.5 days of scientific presentations and 1.5 days of excursions. The deadline for abstract submission is 1 August. All further information can be found [here](#).

## BSG Annual Conference 2024



This year the [British Society for Geomorphology \(BSG\)](#) Annual Conference, incorporating the second Cuchlaine King Symposium, will be hosted by Loughborough University, UK. The event will take place 2-5 September 2024 including a pre-conference field trip. The Conference will have an online element, enabling virtual attendance for those who cannot join in person. The BSG Annual Conference has long provided a platform for early career researchers to share their work in a collegial and supportive environment, and contributions from early-career researchers and practitioners are particularly welcome. All information on the conference can be found [here](#).

## BSG Grant opportunities

The deadline for the next BSG grant round is 30 September 2024. The BSG has funding deadlines twice a year for a range of grants to support geomorphological work. These are open to all BSG members (regardless of location/country). Full details on the available grants and application criteria can be found [here](#).

## AGU AGU Meeting December 2024

Under this year's meeting theme "What's Next for Science" the [AGU24](#) meeting returns to Washington, D.C., USA. The meeting is scheduled from 9 to 13 December and will foster collaboration in a hybrid model aimed at capitalizing on both in-person and virtual participation. AGU's annual meeting represents the largest gathering of earth and space scientists to share research and connect with friends and colleagues. Abstract submission deadline is 31 July.

## Latest IAG Working Group activities

- The IAG WG on [Submarine Geomorphology](#) organised its second International Conference on Seafloor Landforms, Processes and Evolution which took place in Lipari, Italy, 1-3 July 2024. The conference attracted over 100 participants and included 73 oral and 31 poster presentations. Keynote speeches were given by experts from South Africa, Colombia, and Malaysia. The event wrapped up with an industry-academia workshop aimed at enhancing collaboration between researchers and industry professionals. The support from various industry partners and academia is kindly acknowledged. Please see the conference [website](#) for more information.



- The IAG [Badlands](#) WG organises its 8th Workshop on 16 July 2024. This Workshop will be held online from 14:00 to 16:00 CET. Four speakers will present various aspects of badlands research, such as land use, structural control or soil erosion, in various badlands regions (e.g. Türkiye, Spain, India). The scientific presentations will be followed by the Badlands Working Group Meeting. Find the detailed programme [here](#).
- The IAG WG on [Rocky Coasts](#) would like to announce the International Rock Coast 2025 Conference which will take place from 25 to 28 June 2025 in Trieste, Italy. The conference is intended as a two day's forum to discuss advances in the study of rock coasts followed by a two-day field trip to the Gulf of Trieste and the Istrian coast. The conference website will be released soon.

