



News at a Glance

- 1. International Survey of Earth Science Education Report**
 - 2. Initiative on Forensic Geology (IFG) and Latin America**
 - 3. CGI Competition: IUGS Standards for Mineral Resources**
-

1. International Survey of Earth Science Education Report

The international survey of Earth science education has received data from 37 countries in addition to nearly all the Latin American countries. The report on this is under preparation and should become available in 2018.

2. Initiative on Forensic Geology (IFG) and Latin America

IUGS-IFG supported and endorsed the 3rd Ibero-American Seminar on Forensic Geoscience, in La Plata, Argentina. This event was the latest focusing on the development of forensic geology throughout Latin America. Other events have been held in Colombia (2009), Mexico (2010), Brazil (2013, 2015, 2016 & 2017) and Uruguay (2010). An event was also held in the UK in 2016 to discuss methods to help to locate and recover people that disappeared in Chile during the period 1973 to 1990. These events typically involve a IFG multi-disciplinary forensic geology team working in collaboration with Federal Police, national institutions and local experts. A combination of knowledge exchange, capacity building and formal training is provided in geological trace evidence, crime scene examination and the design and implementation of ground searches for burials. These are related to serious crimes such as criminal, humanitarian and environmental incidents, the search for missing persons and unknown graves associated with organized crime, mass burials, torture and homicide; environmental crimes such as deforestation and pollution; drug trafficking; violation of human right; terrorism; smuggling; fraud; embezzlement; robbery; sexual crimes; precious mineral, fossil and metal theft and fakes. A booklet of abstracts that were presented in Argentina are

attached. It is anticipated, the 4th Ibero-American Seminar on Forensic Geoscience to take place in Mexico in 2019.

http://www.conicet.gov.ar/wp-content/uploads/Booklet_-_Argentina-Seminar.pdf



IUGS IFG team in Argentina



IUGS IFG team in Argentina



EDITORS' NOTES:

CONTRIBUTING TO THE IUGS E-BULLETIN, WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

IUGS wishes to better co-ordinate public cation of information on **news, events and achievements** arising from IUGS activities (**not science reports or papers**). All IUGS Commissions, Task Groups, Initiatives and IGCP projects are requested to provide a steady flow of material. Contributions from Adhering Bodies and Affiliates will also be welcomed.

To aid co-ordination and standardization, IUGS has introduced a preferred format and a monthly timetable.

Format of submitted material:

Contributors should provide:

For the E-Bulletin: 2 or 3 sentences with between 1 and 3 illustrations (photographs, diagrams etc.) with captions as separate .jpg, .gif or .png files with a resolution of 150 dpi; optimally accompanied, by:

For the web site: a concise text of about 0.5 to 1 A4 page (up to about 600-700 words), if possible providing a web-link (e.g. to an IUGS activity website).

The short text in the E-Bulletin will be hyperlinked to any longer text which will be placed on the IUGS website. Items that are not in reasonably good English will be returned for improvement. Others will be edited for use of English if necessary. If proposed contributions are too long, they will be returned for shortening. All images must, if necessary, be copyright-cleared before submission.

Contributions should be sent to IUGS Vice-President Dr. Kristine Asch, copied to Susanna Kösterke:

Kristine.Asch@bgr.de
Susanna.Koesterke@bgr.de

Timetable:



The idealized timetable for the E-Bulletin is:

1. IUGS sends a reminder to leaders of activities in the last week of each month;
2. Contributions should be provided by the 16th day of that month (**items arriving after that date cannot be included in the next monthly issue**);
3. IUGS will evaluate all submitted items in terms of urgency and will allocate these to the next monthly issue or a later issue and will also check that these comply with IUGS policy for publications and ethics;
4. The IUGS Team will aim to compile that month's E-Bulletin by the 25th day of the month and send it to the IUGS Secretariat;
5. The IUGS Secretariat will dispatch the E-Bulletin to the IUGS Community on, or before, the last day of each month;
6. Long versions of material will be posted on the IUGS Website in coordination with the publication of the relevant E-Bulletin.

This timetable will be varied, as necessary, to allow for public holidays that affect the E-Bulletin Team and IUGS Secretariat such as Christmas and Chinese New Year.

NOTES

- If you require notices, information on publications, etc. to be considered for inclusion in forthcoming IUGS e-bulletins, please mail to Kristine.Asch@bgr.de and amel.barich@gmail.com.
- Please check the IUGS [Calendar of Events](#) for upcoming scientific meetings this coming month. If you require information on international conferences, meetings, etc. to be considered for inclusion in this Calendar please mail to: giuseppe.dicapua@ingv.it
- To be added to or removed from the IUGS e-bulletin distribution list, please <mailto:iugs.beijing@gmail.com> or secretariat@iugs.org.
- Follow the IUGS on Social Media! We are on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Google+](#).
- Check the IUGS web site: <http://www.iugs.org/>

Edited by:

*Kristine Asch (IUGS, BGR), Susanna Kösterke (BGR), Amel Barich (IUGS)
and Brian Marker (IUGS)*

www.iugs.org



An IUGS Event

RFG 2018
 RESOURCES FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

**PREMIER INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
ENERGY • MINERALS • WATER • THE EARTH**

June 16-21, 2018

Vancouver Convention Centre

Vancouver, BC, Canada

WHERE ON EARTH WILL YOU BE IN 2018?

Resources for Future Generations is a global conference covering earth science, major resources—energy, minerals and water—and societal implications. Join us for this exciting event in magnificent Vancouver, Canada!



KEY DATES FOR YOUR CALENDARS:



Organizers



Supporters



Find more information at
RFG2018.ORG





An IUGS Event



RFG 2018

RESOURCES FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS | VANCOUVER, CANADA

PREMIER INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
ENERGY • MINERALS • WATER • THE EARTH

EMPOWER A GENERATION - GET RESOURCEFUL

- Discovery**
4-day technical program
2,500+ oral presentations and poster sessions
Opening and theme-based plenaries
- Education**
Short courses and field trips
- Community**
4,000 to 5,000 Canadian and international participants
- Exhibition**
3-day trade show
- Students & Emerging Leaders**
Dedicated sessions and events
- Networking**
Knowledge exchange and business opportunities

JUNE 2018

BOOKMARK THE DATE

3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30



Get the latest updates at RFG2018.org

Organizers

Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum Institut canadien des mines, de la métallurgie et du pétrole



Supporters



+ 30 Technical Partners