1. EFG News and News from EFG Members


The European Federation of Geologists (EFG) and the Pan-European Reserves & Resources Reporting Committee (PERC) are glad to invite you to the conference "MIN WIN-WIN: ESTABLISHING EUROPE-WIDE MINERALS RESOURCES AND RESERVES REPORTING STANDARDS - THE KEY TO REDUCING RISK AND INCREASING INVESTORS’ CONFIDENCE". This conference aims to promote the adoption of a common reporting standard for minerals in the EU and will thus provide a unique opportunity to learn about and discuss concrete steps regarding mineral reporting in a cross-disciplinary environment, including EU policy makers, national government officials, academics, minerals company executives, finance and industry experts. Early-bird rates apply until the 30th of September and special discounts are available for all EFG and PERC members.

More information: http://eurogeologists.eu/conferences/
EAGE/EFG Photo contest "Geoscientists at work"
The vote for the Top 3 pictures is now closed and the winners of this year's photo contest will be announced shortly. You may pre-order your 2015 wall-calendar showing the 12 most popular pictures for EUR 10,-. Just send an e-mail to bookshop@eage.org.

NAEN, Russia:

First International Conference “Subsoil use and regulation in Russia”, Moscow, Russia, 29-30 October 2014.
The Russian National Association for Subsoil Use Auditing (NAEN) is proud to announce its First International Conference “Subsoil use and regulation in Russia”. The event will be organised in partnership with Administration of President of Russian Federation, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, the Federal Agency on Mineral Resources (Rosnedra), State Committee for Mineral Reserves (FBU “GKZ”), “Ryder Scott Company” L.P.” (USA), “Wardell Armstrong Company” (UK), Russian Academy of Science and others important Russian and international leader organisations in geology, exploration and mining mineral resources, oil and gas companies. Main topics to be covered include: legal issues and international standards; questions of International Law in sphere of Subsoil usage in Russia; oil shale evaluation and experiences worldwide; methodology to evaluate prospective resources, efficiency of development/experience/innovations; comparison of SPE PRMS and other reserves auditing systems; latest version of the new Russian classification; role and development prospects of National Association for Subsoil Use Auditing in legal system of national Subsoil usage. The organisers invite all industry leaders to participate in the Conference.
More information: NAEN.RU

GSL, United Kingdom:

Our understanding of the Earth’s deep interior has changed fundamentally in the last decade. The widely held view that the mantle is layered with respect to different geochemical reservoirs, and that the lower mantle has remained unchanged since the formation of
the Earth 4.5 Ga, has been challenged by diverse evidence from geophysical images, mineral physics, the geochemistry of erupted melts, diamonds and their inclusions. This meeting will draw together the latest ideas and results in a discussion of the key features of the inaccessible depths of our planet.
More information: http://www.geolsoc.org.uk

**White Paper on Implementing Geological Disposal of Radioactive Waste.**
At the end of July the UK government has published a White Paper following a review of the siting process for a geological disposal facility for radioactive waste. GSL has issued a short statement on the White Paper.
More information: http://www.geolsoc.org.uk

### 2. General

**European Institutions:**

**Public consultation Internal market.**
The European Commission’s DG Internal Market has recently launched a public consultation on the equivalence of third country regimes regarding the country by country reporting by extractive and forestry industries. The consultation aims to collect the views of the relevant stakeholders on the equivalence mechanism, and in particular on the equivalence criteria, considering as well future equivalence decisions. The deadline for participation is **10 October 2014**.
More information: http://ec.europa.eu/internal_market

**EC Consultation on Horizon 2020 ‘Science with and for Society’ Work Programme 2016-2017.**
The objective of Part V of Horizon 2020 ‘Science with and for Society’ is “to build effective cooperation between science and society, to recruit new talent for science, and to pair scientific excellence with social awareness and responsibility”. In this context the aim of the European Commission’s DG Research & Innovation consultation is to obtain views on the potential priorities for the ‘Science with and For Society’ work programme part covering the period 2016-2017. The consultation is structured around a set of questions, which take into account the policy thrust and general framework set by Europe 2020, Innovation Union and the European Research Area, and builds upon the Science with and for Society part of the Horizon 2020 Work Programme 2014-2015.

**Events:**
The 2014 edition of the Congress will celebrate the 50th anniversary of IAEG under the theme “Engineering Geology for Society and Territory”. It aims to analyse the dynamic role of Engineering Geology in a changing world along the four main themes: Environment; Processes; Issues and Approaches. An important goal of the Congress is also to promote and increase the relationships between scientists and engineering geology professional operators (Owners, Design Firms and Contractors).

GeoFrankfurt2014 is the joint meeting of Deutsche Geophysikalische Gesellschaft (DGG), Deutsche Gesellschaft für Geowissenschaften (DGG), Geologische Vereinigung (GV), Paläontologische Gesellschaft (PalGes), SEPM CES and Senckenberg Nature Research Society. The different fields of the joining societies result in a wide spectrum of geoscientific disciplines ranging from the Earth’ core to the surface.

Topo-Europe 2014: Interplay between surface, lithospheric, and mantle processes, Barcelona, Spain, 17–19 September 2014
This 3-day conference (plus one-day optional field-trip) will focus on topics linking topography and landscape evolution with crust and lithosphere mantle structures and geodynamic processes occurring at different depth-and-time-scales. The conference will offer a multidisciplinary platform including participants from geodynamics, tectonics, seismology, sedimentology, geomorphology and oceanography.
More information: http://www.iplusdinnova.com

3. Minerals

Events:

IMA–Europe 20th Anniversary meeting, Brussels, Belgium, 23–24 September 2014.
At this occasion, IMA–Europe will not only look back at its 20-year young history, but also launch the Industrial Minerals Sector 2050 Roadmap.
The event programme starts on 23 September evening, with the IMA–Europe Recognition Award Ceremony followed by the 20th Anniversary Gala Dinner.
On 24 September afternoon, the IMA–Europe 2014 Conference will address the IM 2050 Roadmap and an interactive high level Roundtable will debate around “Is there a future for industrial minerals extraction in Europe?”. The conference will conclude with the IMA–Europe Safety Awards Ceremony, which is part of the recently launched Target Zero Incidents Initiative.
The first international research conference on Minerals in the Circular Economy will gather researchers from identified hot spots along the mineral value chain. A central purpose of the conference is to offer junior and senior researchers alike a possibility to present their recent research and to network beyond their usual sphere of research in solving problems related to sustainable use of mineral raw materials. The conference covers a significant research area on tools and methods that apply for the whole mineral value chain from the mine to the user and further to recycling.
The deadline for submission of abstracts is 30 September 2014.

24th International Mining Congress and Exhibition of Turkey (IMCET2015), Antalya, Turkey, 14-17 April 2015.
The International Mining Congress and Exhibition of Turkey is the most important mining event of Turkey, bringing together academics, engineers, decision makers, investors, industry specialists and suppliers from all over the world. The Scientific Committee of 24. International Mining Congress and Exhibition of Turkey (IMCET 2015) is calling for the submission of abstracts to be presented at the conference. Authors who would like to attend the Congress with a paper shall submit an abstract of not more than 400 words, before 8 September 2014 through the “Online Abstract/Paper Submission System” at the Congress website. Authors will be notified about the acceptance of their abstracts before 22 September 2014.

4. Natural hazards

Events:

Third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction, Sendai, Japan, 14-18 March 2015.
Applications for events (such as symposiums, seminars and workshops), exhibition booths, and poster exhibitions that form a part of the Public Forum of the Third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction are now being accepted. The Public Forum will promote a shared responsibility of reducing disaster risk and building resilience and will be held in a number of venues across the city of Sendai and is open to Conference participants and the public.
The deadline for submission of applications is 16 September 2014.
More information: http://www.wcdrr.org/conference/programme

5. Hydrogeology

Events:

MinWat2014 International Multidisciplinary Conference on Mineral Waters, Karlovy Vary (Carlsbad), Czech Republic, 8-11 September 2014.
The aim of this conference is to gather experts from the hydrogeology and hydrogeochemistry sector, professionals involved in the distribution of bottled mineral waters, professionals for whom mineral water is a tool used for treatment of diseases and their prevention and administrations that evaluate projects aimed
at the development of new sources of natural mineral water. The conference will provide excellent networking opportunities.

**41st IAH International Congress, Marrakech, 15-19 September 2014.**
The 41st edition of this International Congress is organised by the Moroccan Committee of the International Association of Hydrogeologists (IAH-CM) under the theme "Groundwater: Challenges and Strategies."

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**6. Oil and Gas**

**Events:**

**GeoShale 2014, Warsaw, Poland, 24-26 September 2014.**
The 2nd scientific conference GeoShale 2014 will bring together geoscientists from around the world who are engaged in shale research studies. Three days of parallel lectures and poster sessions are planned, including a series of keynote lectures. Three field trips are dedicated to the Palaeozoic mudrock successions in Poland and other aspects of the regional geology. Participants will have a good opportunity to visit an outstanding outcrops of mudrocks in the Holy Cross Mountain and Sudetes Mountains as well as a drill site in the Pomerania region. The draw your attention to the extension of the deadline for conference registration and payment until **10 September 2014**.
More information: [http://www.geoshale.com](http://www.geoshale.com)

**Publications:**

**Petroleum Geochemistry Properties of SE Edge Of Pannonian Basin.**
Ratko Vasiljević, member of the EFG PE for Oil and Gas, recently published his diploma thesis originally written in 1988. The book provides results of geology and petroleum geochemistry data in south-western edge of the Pannonian Basin and is updated with new data.
More information: [https://www.morebooks.de](https://www.morebooks.de)

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**7. Soils**

**Events:**

**EcoHCC'14, 3rd International Conference on Ecohydrology, Soil and Climate Change, Tomar, Portugal, 10-12 September 2014.**
The objective of this conference is to bring together researchers in the areas of Climate, Meteorology, Ecohydrology, Hydrology, Environment, Soils, Geo-Statistics with the aim of sharing experiences and promoting the integration of these themes as a multidisciplinary framework. The conference will focus on the
following topics: Water resources and management; Water quality and hydrobiology; Environmental policies and social impacts; Operational and dynamical hydrology. Ecohydrology; Soil degradation and soil quality. Soil function and land use; Earth System Science, climate change and extreme events; Techniques and approaches in geosciences: biostatistics, remote sensing, GIS and modelling.
More information: http://www.ecohcc.ipt.pt/

8. Geoheritage

Events:

XV Congreso Internacional sobre Patrimonio Geológico y Minero, Logrosán, Spain, 25-28 September 2014.
The Spanish Society for the protection of the geological and mining heritage (Sociedad Española para la Defensa del Patrimonio Geológico y Minero, SEDPGYM) will celebrate its annual congress in Logrosán.
More information and registration: http://www.sedpgym.es

9. Jobs and Training

Jobs:

Job Title: PhD student
Employer: WE13 – Department of Geology and soil science – Ghent University
Place: Ghent, Belgium
More information: Click here

Training:

As from the 13th of October 2014 the University of Leiden offers a free Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) on Metals. Population and welfare are growing and the global supply of metals is a major challenge. Only with reuse and recycling metals will be available in sufficient quantities. The MOOC will explore the conditions and consequences of closed loop economies for metals based on the reports of UNEP’s International Resource Panel.
More information and registration: https://www.coursera.org/course/metals

This course will provide an introduction to the principles underlying the group of reporting codes and standards that are based on the CRIRSCO International Template. The course aims to explain the main concepts underlying these codes and standards and will discuss some of the common issues that arise when preparing information for inclusion in Public Reports. Examples from different commodities and countries are used to illustrate expected best practice approaches and to provide an opportunity for course participants to exchange experiences on particular issues of concern. The registration fee is confirmed at £350 and EFG members benefit from a discount of 10% (£315).
More information: http://eurogeologists.eu
For more information on jobs and training possibilities please visit the EFG website. You will also find there an updated list of job vacancy platforms all over Europe.

We hope you enjoyed reading our monthly newsletter and would be pleased to receive your comments, feedback or information on events relevant to the geological profession in Europe. The deadline for submitting news items for the next issue of GeoNews is the 5th of October.

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