



ANNUAL REPORT 2024



Peeter Paaver, EAGE/EFG 2023

Our Mission

The European Federation of Geologists (EFG) is a professional organisation that was established in 1980 and includes today 28 national association members representing directly about 45,000 individual geologists.

Through our international counterparts from the USA, Australia, South Africa and Canada, we reach a network of more than 150,000 geoscientists across the world.

Our mission is to promote excellence in the application of geology across Europe, to represent the professional European associations of geologists, and to create public awareness of geoscience's importance to society.



Our Drivers

- Provide Societal Benefits
- Influence Legislation, Policy & Directives
- Promote Quality Jobs & International Mobility
- Increase the Talent Pipeline
- Build Public Support for the Geosciences
- Build EFG Brand Recognition

EFG in Numbers

- Members**
28 National Associations representing nearly 45,000 geoscientists and 5 Associated Members
- Network**
More than 20 partnerships with other organisations, both at the European and international level
- EurGeol**
More than 1,100 active European Geologist title holders
- Projects**
Over two decades of experience in more than 27 EU-funded projects
- Outreach**
More than 10,000 LinkedIn post impressions per week and more than 28,000 website visitors per month
- Expertise**
10 Panels of experts involving nearly 200 experts from 28 European countries

2024 Highlights

In November 2024, EFG organised a high-level policy dialogue on 'Geology for a Safe, Secure and Sustainable Europe' at the European Parliament. At this event, the EFG Policy Manifesto 2024 was presented. In addition, we took the occasion to record interviews with some of the EFG Delegates who attended this dialogue. We asked them about their impressions during the event. Here below you can watch some of their answers:



David Govoni - EFG President
21st November 2024 - Brussels



Maria Tzima - EFG Delegate
21st November 2024 - Brussels



Pavlos Tyrologou - External Relations Officer
21st November 2024 - Brussels



János Szanyi - EFG Delegate
21st November 2024 - Brussels



Rudi Ruggeri - EFG Delegate
21st November 2024 - Brussels



Ferenc Mádlai - EFG Delegate
21st November 2024 - Brussels

Policy impact

High-level policy dialogue on '[Geology for a Safe, Secure and Sustainable Europe](#)' held at the European Parliament on 21 November 2024

Press conference on the role geologists play for society held at the European Parliament on 11 April 2024

Publication of [EFG Policy Manifesto 2024](#)

We provided feedback regarding policy development and other relevant events:

- [European Parliament Own Initiative Report on Geothermal](#)
- [Adoption of Critical Raw Materials Act](#)
- [Call for action regarding disaster prevention following Storm DANA](#)

Public relations

We [advocated for the indispensable role of geology at COP29 on 11-22 November 2024 in Baku](#)

Publication of two issues of the peer-reviewed open-access journal European Geologist:

- June 2024: [Geology at the interdisciplinary nexus: Why does collaboration matter](#)
- December 2024: [Water - Making the invisible visible](#)

[Co-organisation of the 5th International Professional Geology Conference on 5-7 November 2025](#)

Relationship impact

New appointments to external Expert Groups:

- EFG President David Govoni elected as Vice-Chair to the Expert Group on Resource Management (EGRM)
- Júlio Manuel da Costa Santos from EFG's Portuguese National Association appointed as Secretary of the Global Geoscience Professionalism Group (GGPG)
- Mafalda Oliveira, EurGeol and member of the Portuguese Association of Geologists (APG) representing EFG in the liaison between ISO Committee TC 82/SC 7 - Sustainable Mining and Mine Closure

Signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the American Institute of Professional Geologists (AIPG)

Service portfolio

We have launched the [EFG Academy](#) to advance the Continuous Professional Development (CPD) of geologists

We are running the [EFG GeoMentoring programme](#) with benefits both for mentors and mentees

People

Council



David Govoni
President



Iris Vuković
Vice-President



Magnus Johansson
Secretary General



Pablo Núñez
Treasurer



Pavlos Tyrologou
External Relations Officer

Advisors



Maureen Gallagher
Global Ambassador



Mónica Edreira
Board Financial Advisor

Secretariat



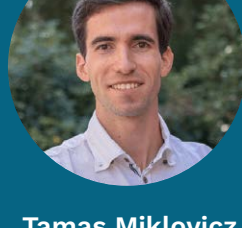
Glen Burridge
Executive Director (until April 2024)



Pierangelo Bianco
Office Manager



Anita Stein
Communications Manager



Tamas Miklovicz
Project Officer



Alberto Sanchez
Project Officer



María A. Lopez
Communications Officer

Panels of Experts Coordinators



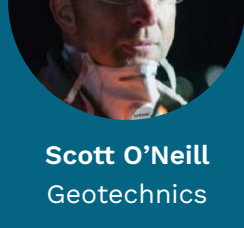
Nikolaos Koukoulas
CO2 & Hydrogen Geological Storage



Maria Tzima
Education



Monica Sousa
Geological Heritage



Scott O'Neill
Geotechnics



Janos Szanyi
Geothermal Energy



Paolo Cerutti
Hydrogeology



Panagiotis Zachariadis
Minerals



Marko Komac
Natural Hazards



John Midgley
Radioactive Material
(John sadly passed away in September 2024)



Gabriele Ponzone
Soil protection

Committees

Regulation Authority

Marko Komac (Chair, SGS), Arda Arcasoy (MJD), Christian Masurenko (BDG), Richard Hughes (GSL) and Ines Vlahov (CGS)

Research Projects Development Unit

Vitor Correia, Pavlos Tyrologou, Marko Komac, Anita Stein, Tamas Miklovicz

International Licensed Body (ILB)

İbrahim Guney (Chair, MJD), Paul van Calster (GBLsp), Nenad Grubin (SGD) and Carlos Almeida (APG)

Financial Report

The 2024 report from the auditor is available via the [following link](#).



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