

Minutes
M-005-2023-IUGS-COGE
COGE 3rd Quarterly Meeting 2023

Date:	8 th September 2023
Time:	19.00 hours (Perth, Australia)
Place/Type (chair):	Virtual (Zoom meeting, hosted by Sandra Villacorta)
Attendees:	Sandra Villacorta (SV), Ian Clark (IC), Elvaene James (EJ), Susanna Occhipinti (SO), Scott Miller (SM), Susana Alaniz (SA), Bourgeoini Yamina (BY), Miguel Cano (MC), Richard Serrano-Agila (RSA), Liliana Corona (LC), Ashvin Wickramasooriya (AW), Sharon Locke (SL)
Apologies:	Roberto Greco, Clara Vasconcelos, Shankar R, Aku Heinonen, Young-Shin Park

Item	Description		
1	Quorum: There being twelve (12) committee members present, a quorum was declared, and the meeting proceeded.		
2	Business arising from previous meetings/communications		
	Resolution	Responsible	Status
	To publicize the COGE session at the IGC2024	Social Media Team	Completed
	Announce the winner of the inaugural Chris King medal on COGE social media accounts	Social Media Team	Completed
	Invite other professionals of countries not represented to apply as COGE members	All	Completed
	Welcoming to new associated members	SV/IC	Completed
	To publicize the COGE session at the AGU Fall Meeting 2023.	Social Media Team	Completed
	Announce Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with UNAM	Social Media Team	Completed
	To send minutes of the past meeting to attendees for review	SV	Completed
	Introduction of new Associated members	LC, RS	Completed
	Conform the Election Committee	SA, YB, SL	Completed
	Complete assessment of the COGE Board election procedure	Regular members	Completed
	Submit the GEFO internship proposal for the IUGS Executive feedback	SV	Completed

	To submit missing national reports by email	All	On Going
	Evaluate new membership applications in a new survey	All	On Going
	To review past communications to stay updated on tasks and collaborate	All COGE members	On Going
	Assessment of including other documents for new membership applications.	Regular members	On Going
	Opening a call for a COGE deputy chair and other members of the COGE Board	SV/IC	On Going
	To introduce in a post social media, the team conformed	Social Media Team	Pending
	To publicize the Barcelona Manifesto in Geoscience Education on COGE social media accounts	Social Media Team	Pending
	Including in a future survey strategists to start working on advocating for geoscience education policies.	SV/IC	Pending
3	Review of agenda subjects		
	Agenda subject	Action	Responsible
	Introduction of new COGE members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SV extends a warm welcome to all attendees, especially to the new commissioners. Richard Serrano-Agila from Ecuador introduced himself and expressed his passion about contributing to geoscience education at all levels. He is a COGE associated member who is joining the Publications Subcommittee. Liliana Corona from Mexico is one of the latest associated members to join the commission. She has vast experience handling activities with children and has recently joined the Social Media Subcommittee. Aku Heinonen (regular member from Finland) and Grisel Jimenez Soto (associate member from Bolivia) and Romina Celabe will introduce themselves in a future meeting. 	Introduction of new Regular member	Aku Heinonen
		Introduction of new Associate member	Grisel Jimenez
	COGE General updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For the AGU Fall meeting session, SV mentioned the team's readiness to participate, and thanks to SM and SL for launching the session which is an opportunity for strength collaboration with IGEO. As for the GEFO internship, SV reported that COGE is waiting for feedback from the IUGS. SV reported that the COGE officially supports the Barcelona Manifesto in Geoscience Education, which aligns with the EGU Education. This manifesto was proposed in the last EGU General Assembly to improve geoscience education worldwide. It will soon be shared through the COGE social media. 	To prepare minutes of this meeting	EJ [done]
To publicize the Barcelona Manifesto in Geoscience Education.		Social Media Team	
To actively participate in COGE activities, and be involved with		All	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IC reminded all COGE members to actively participate in the commission initiatives, including attending meetings and responding to emails. Based on Clause 8.9 of the Terms of Reference (ToR), membership of COGE members can be cancelled due to a lack of participation and communication or for breaking the ToR. IC reported that Maria Bravo had stepped down as a COGE member. Babak Asli's membership was revoked due to repeated non-compliance with COGE ToR, particularly related to unprofessional conduct and harassment directed at some regular and associated members. SV thanked attendees for communicating the reasons that hinder participation, responding to emails, and participating in COGE polls/surveys. SV indicated that reports from the subcommittee should be included in a shared Google Doc located in the Google Drive corporate account because this will be shared by IUGS social media in the IUGS e-Bulletin. SV mentioned a new membership application from Gerardo Soto from Costa Rica and invited members to assess his application in the recently shared survey. 	subcommittees tasks	
	respond on time and comply COGE ToR	All
<p>COGE subcommittees report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chris King Medal subcommittee. IC announced that Dr. Héctor Luis Lacreu of the National University of San Luis (Argentina) was elected to the inaugural Chris King Medal. Professor Lacreu will also be the keynote speaker for COGE Session on Geoscience Education, at the 37th International Geological Conference in Busan. GEFO Program. SO expressed her concerns regarding the challenges of other countries' lack of participation in the GEFO program. She requested support to all COGE members to spread the calling of new officers via social media for increasing visibility and participation of volunteers in other countries. Social media subcommittee SM reported positive outcomes from COGE social media content, with more traffic being observed on Facebook. SM mentioned that Romina will interview Dr. Hector Lacreu as the winner of the Chris King Award. The video will be available via all COGE social media. SM encouraged COGE members to submit short videos in their native languages for promotion on COGE's social media platforms. 	To publicize the interview of The Chris King award on COGE social media accounts	Social Media Team
	To program webinar on geoscience education to feature CK medal winner	IC
	To volunteer on promoting COGE in different languages	All
	To send minutes of this meeting to attendees for review	SV
	To launch interview with the CK medal winner, Dr Hector Lacreu	Social Media Team

<p>SM explained website future updates to diversify geoscience teaching materials through multilingual publications, as well as including the COGE world map featuring current members.</p> <p>SM asked subcommittees to provide activity reports for streamlined dissemination through COGE and IUGS social media channels.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The publications subcommittee. <p>SA reported that the special issue about geoscience education is on the EPISODES webpage for December 2024 publication with five confirmed manuscripts. She requested authors of the proposed papers to confirm them.</p> <p>SA discussed that the special publication in EPISODES will be the stepping stone for the proposed future Journal of Our Commission.</p> <p>SA also reported the current work regarding the agreement signed recently with CGEO and its Mexican Journal, including collaboration from Latin America, Spain, Mexico, and other countries. The target audience is Hispanic American' teachers.</p> <p>SA mentioned that the monthly COGE activity report for the IUGS Bulletin should be finalized by the 15th of each month for board review and submission by SM.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The international relationships' subcommittee. <p>AW reported on behalf of Roberto Greco they are looking for potential collaboration with other commissions, organizations, and networks worldwide to strengthen the geoscience education. A section of the las COGE Development survey has included questions regarding seeking new opportunities for collaborations.</p> <p>SV mentioned that Aku Heinonen is willing to collaborate with reports on strategies to improve collaboration with IGEO and EGU.</p>	<p>Considering submitting a short video on their experience as COGE member</p>	<p>All</p>
	<p>To complete report on COGE news for IUGS e-Bulletin</p>	<p>Subcommittee s leaders</p>
	<p>Submit proposed articles to Episodes before Deadline</p>	<p>Authors included in the Episodes SI Proposal</p>
	<p>Prepare a report on strategies to improve collaboration with IGEO and EGU.</p>	<p>International Relationships Subcommittee</p>
<p>Calling Elections to complete COGE Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SA representing the COGE Elections committee sent an email regarding the Elections process to complete the COGE board. The COGE Elections Subcommittee is formed by SA, YB and SL. Call open for three positions: Vice-Chair, General Secretary and Social Media Coordinator. • The election will be conducted for one month, from 8 September 2023 to 8 October 2023. • SV expressed her optimism about the commission's better performance once the COGE board is completed. In addition, she encourages COGE members to apply for the positions to contribute better to the development of COGE. 	<p>Nominate to apply for the opened positions into the COGE Board</p>	<p>Regular members interested in the vacant positions</p>
	<p>To set up meeting with the candidates</p>	<p>Elections Subcommittee</p>
	<p>To launch and record candidates' presentation meeting.</p>	<p>Elections Subcommittee</p>

4	Closing of General Assembly		To review new timing for the next meeting	SV/IC
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SO elaborated that the Association of Natural Science Teacher (Italy) had approved the Barcelona Manifesto, and she is going to present the manifesto during the Congress of the National association of Geologist -SGI,in September 2023. This document emphasizes the importance of education of science at all levels of education, especially the topics on natural disasters and climate change. SA requested adjusting the meeting time by 1-2 hours to accommodate her time zone constraints and enable her attendance. SV reminded all COGE members of their responsibility to prepare national reports, plans, strategies, and budgets for the general assembly in December. The subcommittee's planning for 2024 activities is also expected. SV expressed gratitude to commissioners for their volunteer contributions to tasks and subcommittees, reaffirming their commitment to advancing the commission's global geoscience objectives. 		To launch a poll for the general assembly on December 2023	SV
			Set up a draft of the working plan 2024 for the members to complete.	IC
			Subcommittee's planning for 2024 activities	subcommittees leaders
5	Next meeting: to be organized by SV			
	Time	TBA		
	Proposed Date	September 30th 2023		
	Place/Type	Virtual (Zoom meeting)		
6	Meeting close: 20:00 hours (Perth, Australia)			
Minute taker:		EJ		
Review:				
Date:				