INERNATIONAL COMMISSION ON GEOHERITAGE



ELECTIONS 2024 ICG Period 2024 - 2028

1. Preamble

The International Commission on Geoheritage (ICG) is a permanent commission of the International Union of Geological Sciences (IUGS). The ICG was founded at the 35th International Geological Congress (Cape Town, South Africa) in 2016. The IUGS EC restructured this commission in 2020 and new statutes were approved and adopted by the IUGS in 2021.

The organisational bodies referred to in the statutes are defined as follows:

- a. The **Executive Committee** of ICG comprises three elected officers (Chair and two Vice-Chairs) and a Secretary General (appointed by the Chair), who are responsible for the objectives, purpose and daily operation of the Commission.
- b. The Commission comprises three **Subcommissions**:
- 1) Subcommission on Geological Heritage Sites
- 2) Subcommission on Heritage Stones
- 3) Subcommission on Heritage GeoCollections

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These three subcommissions are organisational bodies with specific, long-term scientific tasks. Each subcommission is managed by a subcommission chair, a vice-chair and a secretary. The unique and general statutes of the ICG define Subcommission's rules.

c. The **governing body** of ICG is composed by the officers of the Executive Committee and the chairs of each subcommission.

The most important practical activity of the ICG is the development of specific programmes for the selection and recognition of: 1) IUGS Geological Heritage Sites 2) IUGS Heritage Geocollections and 3) IUGS Heritage Stones

More information at www.iugs-geoheritage.org

2. ICG Elections

Terms of Office

The terms of office for the officers of the Executive Committee and the three subcommissions shall be the period between two International Geological Congress (IGC), normally four (4) years. All the officers can be re-elected or re-appointed for almost one additional terms of four (4) years.

NOTE: This rule is applicable since the new ICG statutes were approved in 2021.

Election of the officers of the Subcommissions

The ballot for the Chair and Vice-Chair of each Subcommission will be done by the officers and voting members of each Subcommission. The secretary of each subcommission is appointed by the new Chair of the Subcommission.

The existing Executive Committee of the Commission on Geoheritage must ensure that the election was made according to the guidelines and approved the procedure of the election with the new officers.

Election of the Executive Committee of the International Commission on Geoheritage

Candidates for Chair of the Commission on Geoheritage must have served as a officer (Chair, vicechair or secretary) of the commission or any of the three subcommissions at least for one full turn in the past.

The Chair and Vice-chairs of the Commission on Geoheritage will be elected by:

- 1.- One vote from each Subcommission new elected Chairs.
- 2.- One vote from each officer of the existing Executive Committee.

The Secretary General of the Commission is appointed by the new Chair of the Commission.

Voting procedures

For approval, major decisions, including elections, require a sixty percent (60%) majority of delivered votes, provided that a quorum of 60% has been attained.

Self-interested voting is not allowed.

Deadlines

All candidatures must be submitted to the secretary general of the International Commission on Geoheritage, Juana Vegas (<u>j.vegas@igme.es</u>) before January 31, 2024.

The ballot for officers for each subcommission will take place in the period from 1 to 20 February 2024.

The outgoing Executive Committee will ratify the election of subcommission officers between 20 to 30 February 2024.

The final election of the new Executive committee of the commission will take place between 1 and 15 March 2024.

The new chair will inform to the IUGS EC about the results of the 2024 elections in April 2024 according to the date requested by the IUGS Secretary General.

The IUGS EC and Council will ratify the new officers of the Commission at the IGC in August 2024.

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TEMPLATE FOR APPLICANTS. ELECTIONS 2024 Period 2024 - 2028

1. Name and surname of the applicant		
2. Institution		
3. Position. Please mark the position to which you are applying.		
	Chair	Vicechair
Commission on Geoheritage		
Subcommission on Sites		
Subcommission on Heritage Stones		
Subcommission on Geocollections		
4. Have you ever had any participation / collaboration with the International Commission on Geoheritage? Please provide a short explanation.		
5. Summary of your background and experience related to the position you are applying for. Maximum 500 words		
6. Motivation and main strategic ideas for your application. Maximum 500 words.		

ANNEX 1. Sort Curriculum Vitae (max. 4 pages)

ANNEX 2. Letter of support from your organization or other organizations related to Geoheritage.