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1. A new INHIGEO website is online which facilitates easy communication to the public at www.inhigeo.com.

In September 2017, INHIGEO members will travel to **Yerevan, Armenia**. This symposium as a **50th Anniversary INHIGEO** conference is organized by Institute of Geological Sciences, Armenian National Academy of Sciences and will be held at the Armenian Academy of Sciences in Yerevan, the same venue as the 1967 meeting. Conference themes are: 50 years of INHIGEO, Development of geological ideas and concepts, History of geology in Armenia, Ancient knowledge of stone and metals, Studies of historic and prehistoric evidences of seismic and volcanic activity, General contributions and biographies of famous geologists. Both mid conference and post conference field trips are also planned to geological sites, historical sites, churches and cathedrals, archaeological sites, geological museum and the famous Museum of Ancient Manuscripts (Matendaran). A conference web site has been established at <http://inhigeo2017.geology.am/>. The First Circular has been distributed to the full INHIGEO membership. The next one will be in May 2017.

INHIGEO will also hold two symposia at the 25th International Congress on the History of Science and Technology (25ICHST) – Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), 23-29 July, 2017.

“History of Petroleum (origins, exploration and exploitation)” with the Convenor Silvia F. de M Figueirôa.

"Multiple Spaces: Mapping Communication via Letters between Naturalists and Geologists" with Convenors Marianne Klemun and Johannes Mattes.

2. **[GeoMEast 2017](http://www.GeoMEast2017.org) International Congress and Exhibition. Click on the link to access the page. 15-19 July, 2017. Sharm-El Sheik, Egypt. www.GeoMEast2017.org**

3. **AGID Europe is convening the International Conference on Geoethics, 13-15 October 2017 in Prague. The term has been already published in the IUGS Calendar: <http://iugs.org/index.php?page=2017-october>. Email: nemec.geo@seznam.cz**

4. **IPCC call for nominations for the “Special Report on the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate” – deadline 17 May, deadline for submission to ICSU: 10 May**

The IPCC is inviting nominations of experts for consideration as Coordinating Lead Authors, Lead authors, and Review Editors for the “Special Report on the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate”. **Please see the attached document “Nomination of Authors - SROCC” for details.**

If this is of interest to your scientific community and you wish ICSU to submit your nominations, please send your nominations of experts to Katsia Paulavets (katsia.paulavets@icsu.org) and she will submit them. All experts need to **fill in the SROCC form** (see attached) and submit a CV in PDF (max 4 pages). Please ask your nominees to carefully fill-in the form, following all instructions. For internal planning, we would appreciate to receive all nominations by 10 May.

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5. Future Earth PEGASuS - Deadline 5 June <http://network.futureearth.org/live/pegasus>

Future Earth PEGASuS (Program for Early-stage Grants Advancing Sustainability Science) has now launched, and the first funding opportunity, focusing on Biodiversity and Natural Assets, is now live on the Open Network: <http://network.futureearth.org/live/pegasus>

PEGASuS opportunities are intended to support Future Earth research communities, and to broaden the Future Earth umbrella, bringing new teams into the Future Earth orbit. To that end, PEGASuS issues public, open calls, available to research teams from around the world. The research themes, call structures, and criteria for selection are all fully aligned with the Future Earth vision, our key challenges, and the research priorities developed by Knowledge Action Networks, global research projects, and partner organizations. PEGASuS opportunities focus on building and supporting robust interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary research teams that cross natural and social sciences and focus on strong scientific outputs with clear societal benefits. For more information on the program, please refer to the full RFP, [here](#). The deadline for proposals is June 5th.

6. Global online discussion on Science, Technology and Innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals - 17 April to 5 May

<https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/TFM/STIForum2017/OnlineDiscussion>

In the framework of the UN Technology Facilitation Mechanism and the upcoming Science, Technology and Innovation Forum, the UN has initiated an online discussion open from 17 April to 5 May 2017 to mobilize all stakeholders to share information on trends in the deployment of science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals, specific solutions and achievements, state of the art expertise on specific issues and practice areas, emerging priorities, critical knowledge and innovation gaps, as well as their views on ways of mobilizing science, technology and innovation responses to address these gaps. The discussion will feed directly into the 2017 STI Forum.

The consultation is structured around the following two topics:

1. Science, technology and innovation for the SDGs 1, 2, 3, 5, 9 and 14
2. STI plans, policies and capacity building

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